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BISHOP ATLAY DEAD.

A Prominent Divine Passes Away after a Useful Career.

London, Dec. 24.—The Right Rev. J. Atlay, D.D., bishop of Hereford, is dead. He was born at Wakerley, Northamptonshire, in 1817, and after a preliminary training at Grantham and Oakham schools, entered St. John's College, Cambridge, where he obtained a fellowship. He was vicar of Wadingley from 1847 to 1852, and Queen's Preacher at the Chapel Royal, Whitehall, from 1856 to 1858. After occupying the position of senior tutor in his college he was in 1859 elected to the vicarage of Leeds. In 1861 he was appointed a canon of Ripon and in 1868 was nominated by the crown to the see of Hereford in succession to Dr. Hampden.

Cable News.

London, Dec. 24.—Reports of the loss of life and damage to property from the gales continue coming in. At Girvan, Scotland, a show caravan was caught in the gale and capsized. Some of the covered vans caught fire, and four persons were burned to death. At Elinwood, Lancashire, two fishing boats were sunk and all hands lost.

The Pall Mall Gazette, on the death of Mrs. William Waldorf Astor, says: "For months Mrs. Astor's health has been the cause of great anxiety. Her death will bring sadness to many."

HELPING THE NEEDY.

Many Victoria Homes Have Been Brightened by the Times Christmas Fund.

It Will be Kept Open as More Than Temporary Help is Required.

A great deal of assistance has been extended to the poor of the city during the past few weeks, but there are still many homes the inmates of which are having a life and death struggle to make both ends meet. There are many people who may think this an exaggeration, but the doubtful ones would soon have their minds cleared if they spent an hour with the Times Christmas fund committee at the market hall, where they have been busy again to-day distributing clothing and provisions to the needy ones. Several hundred men, women and children have already been provided for, and the good work is still going on. Mayor Teague, Adjutant Archibald and President Burnes, of the B. C. Benevolent society, are used to being among the poor of the city, but even they were not aware that there was as much destitution in the city as has been brought to light since they opened the room at the market hall at the request of the Times.

"It is simply incredible," said Adjutant Archibald, and he commenced to tell the Times representative of some of the cases that had been brought to the attention of the committee since they commenced their labors, and all are deserving, as the members of the committee are too well acquainted to be taken in by unworthy people. One family had not had meat on their table for three months. The father, a hard working man, had been able to get but a few days' work during each month, earning just enough to pay his rent and keep his family in the bare necessaries of life. We who have meat at each meal, or whenever we desire it, may think it an easy matter to go without meat for three months; but just try it for a few days, days spent either at hard work or, harder still, walking the street from morning till night looking for something to do. The unfortunate man was given an order for some meat and other articles.

Another sad case was that of a little boy who appeared at the office in clothes that a rag dealer would decline with thanks. It is true that he had on an overcoat, but that had been borrowed for the occasion, as it would have been impossible for him to come out of the house without it. There were also many other cases of a similar nature that were attended to before the less serious ones.

Besides the regular fund, which has been materially increased since Saturday evening, many contributions of provisions and clothing have been received and placed where they can do the most good.

Realizing that more than temporary assistance is required, the Times has decided to keep the fund open for one or two weeks at least, and as far as possible help the needy to tide over the winter months.

The committee in giving orders have distributed patronage among the different dealers.

Late this afternoon the street in front of the market was crowded with men and children in need of aid. Not one asked for money; all they wanted was food.

This afternoon eight sacks of flour and two bales of rolled oats were received, accompanied by the following note:

"Gentlemen, we are forwarding by bearer, with our compliments, eight sacks of flour from ourselves; two bales rolled oats from C. E. Renouf, for distribution as you think most fit. Yours truly, The Brackman & Ker Milling Co., D. R. Ker, manager."

Any person whose wants have not yet been attended to, may, by applying at the market hall on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, obtain the needed relief, there being still a lot of clothing and provisions on hand from both the Times and Benevolent Society funds.

The fund now stands as follows, the subscriptions received since Saturday evening being as follows:

Amount previously acknowledged	$179 00
A Friend	10 00
A. McG	1 00
A Friend	5 00
B.	5 00
Mrs. Markham	2 00
Master Clement Holden	1 00
J. T. Shann	5 00
A. H. H.	50
Cash	1 50
B.	5 00

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WANTED—A general servant. P. O. Box 126, or M., Times office. d24-3t

LOST—A small bunch of keys; $2.50 will be paid for their return to this office. d24-3t

GOLF! GOLF! Just received an assortment of Iron Golf Clubs at J. Barnsley & Co., 119 Govt. Street. d24-1t

LOST—ON Friday evening in postoffice a bunch of keys; a reward for returning to F. Campbell's, cor. Govt. and Yates Sts.

WANTED—A good sized office desk with drawers at once; cheap. R. P., Times office. d24-2t

WANTED—A ten-bore shot gun; good make; at reasonable figure. "Sportsman," P. O. Box 147. d24-1t

REMEMBER the free lunch at the Hotel Victoria bar to-night; open all night. 1t

A YOUNG MAN would like employment of any kind; a good home more object than wages. Address Eugene Eddison, Times office. d24-2t

WANTED—Storeman; must have experience in packing glassware. Apply to Langley & Co. d24-1t

Medical Examinations.

The next examination of the B. C. Medical Council will be held in Victoria on Tuesday, the 8th day of January. Full particulars by applying to

G. L. MILNE,
Registrar and Secretary.
d24-2w

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Dickey's Price for Entering the Cabinet—The Chignecto Ship Railway.

The Contest in Kingston—A Miller Drops Dead—A Defaulter Arrested.

Halifax, Dec. 24.—It is reported here and generally credited, that Dickey, of Cumberland, before accepting the portfolio of Secretary of State, exacted a promise from Bowell that the time for the completion of the Chignecto ship railway, as demanded by the company, be extended to enable them to complete the work. If this scheme is carried through it means that three and a half millions of public money will be thrown away on an undertaking which nine-tenths of the people in the Maritime Provinces believe will be useless.

Orangeville, Ont., Dec. 24.—J. W. Fish, a laborer living at Hockley, a small village from here, has been arrested on a charge of incest laid against him by his own son and a few of the neighbors a short time ago.

Kingston, Dec. 24.—Though the date for polling in the contest to fill the vacancy in the legislature caused by the unseating of Dr. Smythe, has not yet been named, candidates are canvassing hard. At the market on Saturday the Conservative candidate met a large number of electors and was given much encouragement. Hon. William Harty arrived from Toronto on Saturday afternoon and immediately went on with his canvass.

London, Ont., Dec. 24.—John M. Lord, formerly collector for London West, was arrested at Detroit on Friday night. He is charged with having embezzled $2000. Officers have been searching for him since June last. He has decided to cross the river without extradition papers.

Amherst, Dec. 24.—Hon. A. R. Dickey, the new secretary of state, has returned from Montreal where he was sworn in. He was given a reception and delivered a speech in reply to the ovation.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—John Musgrave, aged 57, a miller in Queen City, at Toronto Junction, dropped dead while at work last evening. His son and daughter were to have been married on Christmas day.

Port Elgin, Ont., Dec. 24.—The residence of Mr. Moore, near this town, was burned last night and his seven-year-old son was burned to death.

ALL WILL ENJOY IT.

How Christmas Will Be Observed in the Various Institutions.

The aged and infirm and the orphans will not be forgotten in the Christmas festival, and the prisoners at the jail will also have reason to feel pleased. At the Protestant Orphans' home there will be a Christmas dinner. Kind friends have donated turkeys, geese and plum puddings. Next Friday the parentless babes will be given a Christmas tree entertainment. The old men of St. Joseph's hospital, whom the sisters are keeping, will be kindly treated. Plum pudding and roast beef and mince pies will be on the bill of fare. Caretaker Sutherland will look after the old men at the home; they will fare very well Christmas day. There will be a Christmas dinner at the Jubilee hospital, and in the afternoon the Arion club will give a concert, at which the patients will be present.

Brief Locals.

—See the Russian hog in Sidney Shore's window, 57 Johnson street. *

—Just the thing for a present—a pair of carvers from Fox's, 78 Government street. *

—Buy your Xmas candies at Montgomery's, 42 Government street, where they make a batch of fresh candy every hour until after Christmas. *

—The largest and best selected stock of wines in the city at California Wine Co., limited, Nos. 55 and 57 Broad street. *

—Mr. T. J. Burnes, president of the B. C. Benevolent Society, will be at the American Hotel, Yates street, to-morrow, between 12 and 1 o'clock to give meal tickets to those who require them.

JAPANESE ARE AMBITIOUS.

Having Defeated the Chinese They Want to Take Charge of the Country.

Their Cherished Aspirations Are Fulfilled Regarding Foreign Treaties.

London, Dec. 24.—A Tokio dispatch says the Japanese diet was opened today in a speech from the throne, which was read by the premier. The emperor said:

"Our forces have been victorious and are steadily pressing forward. The neutral powers are more friendly than ever. Our long cherished aspirations for a revision of our treaties have already been fulfilled with several countries, and with others negotiations are progressing favorably."

A Shanghai dispatch gives an extract from an article in the Shanghai Mercury which says: "One of the conditions of peace which the Japanese want is to enforce close alliance with China against European influence. Japan also wishes to undertake the reorganization of the Chinese army and navy and seeks the control of the Chinese government upon the same lines which she attempted in Corea.

A Chefoo dispatch says the mutiny of Chinese troops at Weihaiwei is ended, the soldiers having been paid.

A dispatch from Shanghai states that the third Japanese army is reported to have landed west of Chee Foo and captured Lai Chow, a seaport town in the province of Chau Lung, on the south shore of the Gulf of Pechili.

LOUIS REDON IS DEAD.

He Expired Suddenly at 3 O'clock This Afternoon From a Paralytic Stroke.

Had Not Been Well for Several Years—Short Sketch of His Life.

Louis Redon, one of the proprietors of the Driard hotel, died suddenly this afternoon from the effects of a paralytic stroke. His demise was a terrible shock to his family, and will be to his many friends. He had not been by any means a well man for years, and the stroke which killed him was the third of its kind, although the former two were much milder. He was quite ill two years ago, and by the advice of his physician, Dr. John Davie, took an extended tour through the Southern States. He came back in apparently good health, and greeted his friends with his cheery smile as of old. Those who knew him well believed that his life would be spared for many years. This afternoon some trivial matter of business disturbed him, and he became rather excited over it. He was not strong, and evidently felt rather weak after it was over, for he went up stairs to his room. He sat down for a few minutes and grew worse, finally swooning. The family were called, medical assistance summoned, and everything possible done for him. It was of no avail. He never recovered consciousness, breathing his last at three o'clock.

Louis Redon was perhaps better known to the travelling public of the coast than any other man in the hotel business in the west. He came here over twenty years ago, and was first associated with Mr. Lucas in the old Colonial hotel. He then engaged with the late Mr. Hartnagle fourteen or fifteen years ago and later, at that gentleman's death, with Gus Hartnagle. He was a native of Perigaux, France, and about 56 years of age. His wife and his brothers, who live in New Orleans, survive him. Victorians generally will learn with the keenest regret the shocking news of his sudden death, for he was a kind hearted, popular man, who did his share as a citizen of the city.

No arrangements have been made for the funeral as yet.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. E. E. Blackwood is quite ill.

J. Dewdney left for Vernon on Saturday.

Robt. Hamilton is staying at the Driard.

Major Nicholles and wife are home from the east.

Mrs. Smith, Nanaimo, is registered at the Oriental.

H. C. Cook and wife, Tacoma, are guests at the Driard.

E. W. Devos, Port Townsend, is a guest at the Oriental.

Richard Angus is down from Vancouver for the holidays.

Geo L. Courtney arrived at Chatham, Ontario, on Saturday.

Archie Johnson is down from Nelson to spend the holidays.

R. F. Toinie returned from the Sound yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Perry arrived home by the Kingston last evening.

The Misses Goodwin arrived here from San Francisco yesterday on the Umatilla.

Supt. Fred Hussey, of the provincial police, was taken seriously ill on Saturday morning and was removed to the Jubilee hospital to-day.

Rheumatism is primarily caused by acidity of the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, and thus cures the disease.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder
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CHINA'S ONLY SUCCESS.

It Was Very Short and Was Completely Avenged by the Japs.

Tokio, Dec. 8.—(Per steamer City of Pekin to San Francisco.)—The Chinese have won their first military success since the war began. One hundred miles north of the Yalu river, where the battle of Husan was fought on the 5th of October, the high road to Moukden climbs over a gorge between precipitous hills. The place is called Motienling, or "Heaven-touching pass," and was esteemed absolutely impregnable. On November 15 a Japanese scouting party attempted to force this pass, but concluding, after the loss of four men that the place could not be assailed from the front without great bloodshed, they fell back, and having obtained reinforcements divided into two bodies, of which one remained to hold the trunk roads against the southern advance of the enemy from Motien, and the other, under Major-General Tachimi, entered by a road leading, after many windings, through the mountains past the eastern flank of Motien until it strikes the main route a good deal north of that place. The former of these forces was attacked by the enemy in great strength, but succeeded in beating him back after a severe skirmish, in which the Japanese lost forty men. Meanwhile scouting detachments had been sent forward to clear the rear of Tachimi's flanking column, and on December 20 one of these detachments was completely outnumbered and forced back by Manchu soldiers, losing several men. Thus the Chinese scored for once. The Japanese, however, soon threw forward fresh troops and drove the enemy into the mountains eastward, while Tachimi continued his difficult march until on November 20th he found himself confronted with Chinese forces at a considerable distance north of the heaven-touching pass. An engagement ensued, in which the Chinese were completely routed. They retired precipitately, leaving 25 of their number dead on the field and abandoning a considerable quantity of small arms and ammunition. There is little doubt that the Tachima brigade have emerged on the main road and that the celebrated heaven-touching pass is turned. If so, Moukden lies virtually at the mercy of the Japanese, supposing they care to push on, but the hardships endured by the troops in marching over the Manchurian mountains in December must be terrible.

STEVENSON'S DEATH.

It Is Verified by Mail Advices from Samoa.

Apia, Samoa, Dec. 4.—Per steamer Arawa to San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Robert Louis Stevenson, the eminent novelist, died at his beautiful home at Vailima on Monday last, December 2, very suddenly. He had been busy at work until four o'clock, and had written what are said to be some of his finest passages, and then left his work for dinner. He had gone into the kitchen with his wife to prepare a favorite dish, and while there complained of a pain in the top of his head. He returned to his drawing room, and almost immediately fell back unconscious in his chair. A physician was summoned, but his attendance was useless. Stevenson never recovered consciousness, and died at 8 o'clock the same evening. The community was greatly shocked, and much regret was felt. Though Stevenson had many opponents on account of his political views, socially he was highly esteemed.

When in good health before his death he had expressed a wish to be buried on the summit of Valai mountain, in a romantic spot 1400 feet above sea level, known as "Tra Scoala," or the pigeon catching place of Scoala. The interment took place there yesterday.

SNOUTED LOCOMOTIVES.

French Engines to Be Built With Prows to Cut the Wind.

It sounds almost sacrilegious for any foreign inventive genius to lay amending hands on the locomotive, so thoroughly English has it been in its inception, design and development. Yet it would seem the French engineers are presuming to improve Stephenson's iron horse, and in quite an elementary matter, too. It has occurred to everybody who has thought of the resistance which the air offers to bodies passing through it at high velocity as curious, to say the least, that the designers of the steam locomotive paid practically no attention to this subject—treated it, in fact, as a negligible quantity.

Negligible it is not. Every form of resistance increases at an enormous ratio with velocity. In liquids and gases it varies with density as well as speed, but as a rule the French engineers are right in asserting that to double the velocity will increase the atmospheric resistance at least six fold. We have only to think what this means with a train running at, say fifty miles an hour, meeting a wind blowing in the same direction of the same velocity. It would involve an enormously increased expenditure of energy in the form of fuel.

For ships moving in a vastly denser medium nature has compelled recognition of the hard fact. Man's earliest craft had possibly bluff bows, like some of our antiquated liners and merchantmen, but some of the rudest canoe builders saw the advantage of the principle of the inclined plane, and in the latest naval types we see cutwaters as sharp as a knife. Of course Dame Nature modelled her fish on least resistance lines, but she did the same also with her birds. From beak to breast the mechanism is as economical in power as it is beautiful in symmetry.

And now the Paris, Lyons & Mediterranean railway company are going to imitate the fish and the bird, and they have ordered forty "locomotives with snouts." Instead of presenting a large surface square to the resistance of the atmosphere they will make the engine front a metal prow, with iron plates, sheltering funnel, dome and firebox, and inclined to each other and the permanent way of an angle at forty-five degrees. In brief, the train will plough its way through the atmosphere, and instead of driving a huge column of the resisting medium in front of it will allow it to glance off as the water does when cleft by the finny tribes or the air when an arrow speeds through it. There can scarcely be a doubt that this is a move in the right direction. It will lead to a considerable saving of coal and the rate of motion, especially against strong winds, will be increased, because, partially, at least, the train will be enabled to attain a high speed without at the same time expending its energy in imparting a similar velocity to a body of air.

So far as experiences go we see no reason why the engine with a gracefully curved or inclined ram or prow should not be at least as much a thing of beauty as the locomotive of the present. Perhaps even this will only be a transitory stage. Nowadays the engine of the passenger trains often weighs one half the whole load to be drawn, and the savants are not content to think that a moiety of the power should be spent upon its traction. It seems inevitable that electricity will one day be sufficiently developed to dispense with this waste, and thus become our general motor. Meantime the "locomotives with snouts" promise to be an improved type.—London Telegraph.

PROMOTION LIST.

Pupils Promoted from the Fourth Division of the High School.

There were some omissions in the list of promotions published last week. They follow:

Following is a full list of the pupils of the fourth division of the high school promoted to division three, with the average of marks obtained by each: Dorothy Allison, 82; Rosemary Reid 79; Maud Bone, 77; Ina E. McFadden, 77; Joseph Blumenthal, 76; Ethieldreda Scholefield, 75; Charles E. Whitlaw, 75; Robert Powell, 75; Christina Anderson, 73; Verna A. Heisterman, 72; May Winnet, 71; Marion Hornsby, 71; Elizabeth McTaggart, 71; Mary J. McCrimmon, 71; Josephine Spencer, 71; Nils Ohlson, 70; Mildrid Williams, 69; George R. Sheppard, 68; Annie Wrigglesworth, 68; William C. Rourke, 67; Harry J. Welsh, 67; Arch. F. Pearce, 67; Marion Ethel Glover, 67; John C. Pendray, 66; Melville J. Jewell, 66; Lambert Thompson, 65; Frank Stephenson, 65; Elizabeth Brooks, 65; Alice M. Parsons, 65; Reginald Hayward, 65; Marguerite Hiscocks, 64; Clare E. Winnet, 64; Arthur S. Burgess, 64; George T. Warren, 63; Arthur B. Netherby, 63; Charles E. Stevens, 62; Kate A. Braid, 61; Frank Fraser, 61; Wilson Armstrong, 60.

SOUTH PARK SCHOOL.

Prize List, First Division—Miss A. D. Cameron, principal: Fanny Forbes Whyte, head of school; Ross McDowell, head of school; Stella Henrietta Meyer, first in writing; Harry George Walker, first in English history and composition; Lily Augusta Haynes, first in reading; Ethel Dixon Browne, first in spelling; Ella Victoria Whitelaw, first in anatomy; Archibald Macdonald Lowe, second in arithmetic; Charles Maclean, first in geography.

Regular Attendance—Jessie Cameron Brown, Gertrude Collis, Alexander Donaldson, Catherine Charlotte Finlaison; Mary Baldwin Franklin; Ethel Constance Holloway, Mabel Louise Holloway, Elizabeth Ross, Mary Elizabeth Stamford.

Second Division—Roberta Devlin, head of class.

Third Division—Annie Sparrow, head of class.

Fourth Division—Joseph Alexander Richards, head of class; Emily Locke, second in proficiency.

Fifth Division—Gladys Margaret Campbell, head of class; Ellen Maud Jackson, neatest notebooks; Zoe Estelle Buckham, writing.

Sixth Divison—Leonard Fordham Solly, head of class.

Seventh Division, Jack Newby, head of class.

Eighth Division—Mabel Agnes Cameron, head of class.

Ninth Division—Barbara Cameron Brown, Robert Tindal McKay, Pauline Gillespie, head deportment.

SHOPPING IN EUROPE.

Women the Managers of Most of the Notions and Specialty Stores.

Outside of the large European shops of national fame a stranger hardly knows where to ask for his or her wants. The small shops include everything, but what things in what shops is the puzzle. In a small town, when mosquito netting was asked for at a general drygoods store, the enquirer was directed to a small notion, or what the English term a "thread and needle" shop, for it. When found it was wrapped in a newspaper, and a large pin served in the place of twine. This sounds primitive, but no one would think of complaining of the parcel's appearance except "those particular Americans," one of whom did protest most energetically against it.

The glove shops are very small, but also well fitted up with one or two counters, comfortable seats, a decorated window, and mirrors. Why is it that so many shops show mirrors directly opposite a customer when she does not require the aid of one in her purchase, unless that the idea is to keep her in good humor? In London one of the best glovers sells hosiery down stairs and fans and gloves above. They also show glove boxes, stretchers and powder shakers in the same case with gloves. Men sell the gloves here, and only try them on when requested to. Only warranted gloves are exchanged if they rip or tear when first putting them on, and only the best qualities are warranted.

In Paris much the same custom prevails, though the chief shops are larger, one on the Boulevard des Italiens having two windows. No better gloves can be found than are sold at the Bon Marche and Louvre, where the glove trade is immense, but the small shops have also an excellent trade. Many of the costume houses sell gloves to match each dress, which takes trade that may be called high class and higher priced. While the salespeople do not offer to try on gloves, they will do it when requested to, and all first class gloves are exchanged under the conditions prevailing here.

Berlin abounds in glove shops, also Vienna, Hamburg, Dresden and Munich has at least two neat ones, selling a prominent make manufactured on the outskirts of that city. Women are the clerks here, and are very prominent in the mercantile cities of Europe, especially in France, where they seem born with a business tact and faculty unknown to other nations. In Berlin the display of dark red pique gloves in a pretty window was marked "New York style." Europe did not take kindly at first to large buttons, but now they are pronounced very chic. The fashion of keeping gloves of all sizes loose in a large package that was noticed in several German shops does not favorably impress an American accustomed to the neatly wrapped and boxed gloves shown in this country.

On the Boulevard one passes a tiny shop, probably eight by twelve feet, which seems to be all window, and the window is without glass, the floor being fitted with wooden partitions holding buttons. Every color, size and quality is represented in the assortment, from the humblest white bone button to an expensive novelty. Orders for especial models are taken here, and in spite of buttons not being as popular as they were some seasons ago, the mother and daughter in the shop seemed to be making a comfortable living, and this in the face of the fact of being in the neighborhood where the rent for even a band box of a place was not cheap.

What we call notions, needles, thread, dress stays, bindings, etc., are considered small wares and haberdashery in Europe, the latter term being common in London. Threadneedle street in London probably received its name from the small wears or "thread and needle" shops that were there in bygone days. Such shops are universally carried on by women, and often the owner does dressmaking or plain sewing.—New York Telegram.

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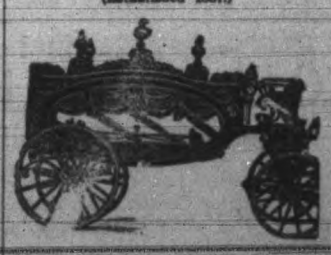

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NEWS OF THE INTERIOR

Miners Dredging for Gold on the Upper Waters of the Fraser River.

Some Items of Interest Selected From the Press of the Mainland.

Nakusp Ledge.

Captain Moore has bought heavily into the Twin lakes claim, buying out the Drumheller boys. The interests amounted to thirteen-fortieths and were valued at $2000.

G. W. Hughes has purchased the interests of F. H. Hughes and D. Porter in the Best mine, amounting in each instance to a quarter. Porter's interest cost Hughes $2000.

There has been very little snow on Cariboo creek so far, but notwithstanding this all work on Placers has ceased till spring. The pumps and wheels have all been withdrawn. Half a dozen men will winter on the creek.

The difficulty over the Nickel Plate, on rail creek, has been settled. New capital has been introduced and development work will be carried on to a greater extent than ever. The Nickel Plate is the richest property in the camp.

Monaghan & King have a rich property in the Caribou mine, owned by them on Rock creek. They have a well defined lead, assaying over $100 to the ton in gold. Work has been pushed on the Caribou all the summer, and now the vein is in good shape for handling. Three bricks have been forwarded to East Helena of late, aggregating $10,000 in all, as the output of the mine.

This issue is the last one in Nakusp of this paper. Next week we turn it loose in New Denver, and hope to stay there until the last pound or ore is dug out of the Slocan.

The owners of the steamer Ainsworth, on Kootenay lake, are reported to be debating the advisability of building a large steel boat to engage in the lake and river traffic. The boat would be fitted up for passenger and freight business and be capable of making daily trips to Bonner's ferry. Sufficient strength would be guaranteed the hull to keep the river open all winter, thus giving the Great Northern an all year connection with the Slocan.

Ore from four different mines has been brought in from the Slocan this week, averaging three car loads per day. The Omaha smelter has corralled this, and it has the major portion of that already sent out. Rawhiding is proceeding vigorously, and the amount of ore handled is in excess of that anticipated. The mines now shipping are the Slocan Star, Noble Five, Reco and Mountain Chief. In a few days these will be augmented by the Dardanelles, Surprise, Fisher Maiden, Alpha, Alamo, Idaho and others.

The bond has been taken up on the War Eagle, Iron Mask and Virginia claims at Rossland, in the Trail creek district. Last spring these claims were bonded for $23,000 by Clark, Corbin, Finch, Campbell, Kingsbury, Roberts and Wakefield, all of Spokane. The properties were purchased from Morris and Bourgeois, who located them nearly five years ago.

Kaslo Times.

Hugh Mann was in New Denver on Tuesday. He had then brought down 128 tons of ore from the mines to Three Forks, and was making preparations to bring down thirty tons a day. The story of any forfeit or bonus being attached to his contract is a myth; but he says that for a bonus of $500 he could easily landed 1000 tons at Three Forks by the first of January.

For the week ending to-day the Slocan Star shipped two hundred tons of ore to Omaha, of which the approximate value is $20,000. This will be its weekly rate of shipment until the road breaks up.

The Idaho road will be in shape for shipments to commence in a day or two. Genelle & Leary have the contract to haul ore, and it is reported that they have been guaranteed five hundred tons a month.

A local lot owner has received from the land office a communication which certainly implies that the payment of arrears will not be enforced by the harsh measure of forfeiture. He enclosed the interest due on the back payments to the end of the year, with a letter to the land office, with a polite note to the effect that if the lot was to be forfeited he would be obliged to the land office to return the interest, as he would rather lose the lot than pay up at present. The land office, with that wisdom which is born of hard times, retained the money and sent him a receipt, which is a practical renewal of his title for an indefinite period. It may therefore be taken for granted that the harsh measure proposed will not be carried out. It will, however, be as well for those who wish to be in a position to sell their property to give the purchaser reasonable security to pay the interest due and get one of these receipts.

Kamloops Sentinel.

Mr. Bullock-Webster, provincial officer for Osoyoos, on Tuesday night brought in four prisoners; one a man named John Armstrong, sentenced to the penitentiary for five years for stealing cattle, a crime which lately seems to have been prevalent in that part.

J. F. Smith is down from his ranch, and reports the weather fine on the North Thompson river. The past few nights have been sharp, and there is good sleighing from Lewis creek to Mr. Edwards' ranch. All hands are now busy gathering up cattle for winter feeding. So far the feeding has been confined to calves. There is an abundant supply of fodder, hence should the winter even turn out hard no suffering is anticipated, as stock are all looking well. He also reports encouraging news from the Homestake mines.

Mr. James Ratchford, late of the Cosmopolitan hotel, has received the official notification of his appointment as superintendent of the provincial home. Mr. Ratchford is himself a pioneer, much respected by all of them, and has those qualities of geniality and kindness and tact which make him peculiarly fitted for the position. It would seem impossible to make a better selection, and in his charge the inmates will be well taken care of.

Rev. W. H. Binney having refused to accept the see of New Westminster, to which he was elected in October, a meeting of the Diocesan Synod will be called about February 20th to elect a bishop. The delegates to represent Kamloops are Messrs. R. Marpole, J. O. Grahame and H. J. Cambie. The names of Canon Thorndie of Sherbrooke; Canon Pentheeth, of Winnipeg; Bishop Hornby, late of Nyassa Land, are mentioned as likely to be brought before the synod.

The Dog creek correspondent, writing under date of December 9th, says: The summer days can now be chronicled as events of the past, and, like the coming and going of the days, many transactions have come and gone; many things have transpired, numerous mishaps have sailed into the silent oblivion. Of course, like all other places, the great interior has not been exempt from depression and other disadvantages; money has been a scarce article, although there are bright prospects for the near future, and it is without question that all these expectations will be fully realized. The mining sections of the province give promising indications of a goodly return next season. There have been more claims staked off during the summer than for many years past. Men from all parts of the world have paid our province a visit and they have more or less interested themselves in the mining claims of the province. It is also predicted by many that the dredging system will work successfully. There are now several of these machines in use from Lytton down to Yale, and though satisfaction has been gained, in my estimation it will never work profitably, the Fraser river having so many large boulders embedded in its bottom that the machines would be at a disadvantage. The current of the river being so swift would also be a drawback. However, this is simply my opinion, and it is far from being infallible. On the other hand, I only hope I am sadly astray. The crops on the whole have been an average. Hay in many places yielded heavy returns, and in other localities it was rather light. The price of wheat and oats in Dog creek is 2c, onions, 4c, cabbage 2c, flour, home production, $2.50; flour, Enderby, $6; beans 6c, sugar 10c by the 100, other provisions in proportion. Lillooet prices are much lower, wheat being delivered at the mills for one cent a pound; flour $2.50, beans 2 1-2, rough lumber $22.50, dressed lumber $32.50. The mining claims in and around Lillooet have not panned out the standard expected.

SOME HISTORIC CANINES.

Dogs Have Occupied Conspicuous Places in All the Ages.

It is a general case with men of "love me, love my dog," and where is the man who will not fight for his dog? For to the true lover of the animal it is, "you may steal my wife and take away my character, but you mustn't kick my dog." From the earliest pages of the history of man we learn that the dog has always been associated with him as friend or helper in procuring food or assisting in guarding the herds or protecting them as well as the shepherd from attack. All nations know and love the dog of some breed or other, although, from a curious kink in the human mind, his name has been one of reproach.

"Is thy servant a dog that he should do this thing?" is often heard, though most of us have felt at some time in our lives like echoing the cynic's words, "The more I see of men the better I like dogs," a tribute to the fidelity of the beast even if purchased at the expense of his masters. From the records of the Egyptians, the first historical annals possessed by the world to-day, the fact is gleaned that the progenitors of man worshiped the dog, and that from Egypt this veneration of him as sacred spread to other nations, and in various forms may be traced in all mythology. At Babylon and Nineveh there have been excavated a number of sculptured figures of dogs surrounded by people in the act of offering incense to them.

The Greeks and Romans, for all the delicacy and loftiness of their imagination, which peopled the rivers with nymphs and conceived the idea of a soul in Psyche, were not above this worship, and it was part of the ceremonial of their religion to make sacrifice of canine powerful for good or evil. That the dog Cerberus guarded the river Styx was an article of faith with them, while Vulcan is said to have made for Jupiter a brazen dog which possessed the qualities of a living animal, and from this famous automaton was descended the gigantic breed of dogs found in Epirus at the time Herodotus wrote his great history. The folklore of England, Ireland and Wales is full of stories in which hell dogs pursued men and beasts, though they differed in appearance according to the country, but all were of great size and strong beyond nature. Their eyes shot flames and their mouths emitted fire that scorched all approaching them, though they could be routed by a call on the deity or by the pursued turning upon them with a cross or the sign of one.

In Wales they were usually mastiffs without tails, while in England they moved in packs and resembled hunting hounds. In Charles Reade's "Put Yourself In His Place" the author makes reference to the popular belief in a mysterious pack known as the Gabriel hounds, which flew through the air in full cry, presaging disaster, and answering, especially to noble families, the purpose of the Irish banshee, in foretelling the deaths of its members.

In Holland there is a legend that death is always preceded by a pale dog that runs snuffing the ground for a spot to dig the victim's grave. It was this idea that gave rise to the ancient dislike to a white dog in that country, and if one of the color was seen near a graveyard it was put to death by a silver bullet, over which a prayer had been previously said.

In India a great god has a dog's head, and the dog star (Sirius) is so called from the Egyptians thinking it gave notice—being particularly conspicuous at that season of the year—of the rising of the Nile, as a dog might the approach of danger.

The Laplanders gave the bear the name of the dog of god, and the Norwegians declare that it has the strength of ten men and the cunning of twelve. In Oriental religion the noble youths who slept 300 years were guarded in the cavern by a dog that neither ate, drank nor slumbered during the period of its vigil, and for its fidelity was given a place in paradise by Mahommed, whose own dog enjoyed a similar honor. To geographers are known many islands called after dogs, among which the best known are the Isle of Dogs found in the Thames; the Dog Islands in the Malayan archipelago, and the Great Dog, the George Dog and the West Dog, lying near the Islands of the Virgin, or St. Thomas.

There is a curious legend connected with an island on the coast of Kamschatska, which is known as the "Island of the Talking Dogs." In prehistoric times—so the inhabitants will tell you—the natives of the mainland did not employ dogs to perform any menial labor, but lived with them on terms of equality and drew their sleds themselves, caught their own game and hunted the walrus alone. The dogs, which were gifted with speech, grew haughty and tried to assume dominion over them, when the latter, awaking to their danger, overthrew the animals attempting to enslave them. This induced the dogs to abandon the mainland and establish a colony on the island referred to, but the game here becoming scarce from the anger of the gods, they turned cannibals at last, and soon they were all killed except seven, which survived of all the many which had rebelled.

Then the Kamschatkans sailed over to the island, which they had not dared molest before, and attempted to persuade the dogs to return to them, but they refused to comply with the request, asking, "What people are you? We have no knowledge of you," and in punishment for this denial the dog-god took away their gift of speech, leaving only the bark and whine, when they were easily subjugated by the men.

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The Daily Times.

CHRISTMAS.

To-morrow being Christmas day the Times will not be published and, therefore, takes the opportunity to-day of extending sincere and seasonable greetings to its readers and wishing a merry Christmas to all.

THE LIBERAL POLICY.

Nothing can more completely disprove the hollow charges of indefiniteness the "boodle" organs are trying to fasten on the utterances of Mr. Laurier than a careful perusal of the Liberal policy formulated and endorsed by 2500 delegates assembled from all parts of Canada at Ottawa on the 22nd of June, 1893:

We, the Liberal party of Canada, in convention assembled, declare:

That the customs tariff of the Dominion should be based, not as it is now, upon the protective principle, but upon the requirements of the public service.

That the existing tariff, founded upon an unsound principle, and used, as it has been by the government, as a corrupting agency wherewith to keep themselves in office, has developed monopolies, trusts and combinations;

It has decreased the value of farm and other landed property;

It has oppressed the masses to the enrichment of a few;

It has checked immigration;

It has caused great loss of population;

It has impeded commerce;

It has discriminated against Great Britain;

In these and many other ways it has occasioned great public and private injury, all of which evils must continue to grow in intensity as long as the present tariff system remains in force.

That the highest interests of Canada demand a removal of this obstacle to our country's progress, by the adoption of a sound fiscal policy, which, while not doing injustice to any class, will promote domestic and foreign trade, and hasten the return of prosperity to our people.

That to that end the tariff should be reduced to the needs of honest, economical and efficient government.

That it should be so adjusted as to make free, or to bear as lightly as possible upon, the necessaries of life, and should be so arranged as to promote freer trade with the whole world, more particularly with Great Britain and the United States.

We believe that the results of the protective system has grievously disappointed thousands of persons who honestly supported it, and that the country, in the light of experience, is now prepared to declare for a sound fiscal policy.

The issue between the two political parties on this question is now clearly defined.

The government themselves admit the failure of their fiscal policy, and now profess their willingness to make some changes, but they say that such changes must be based only on the principle of protection.

We denounce the principle of protection as radically unsound and unjust to the masses of the people, and we declare our conviction that any tariff changes based on that principle must fail to afford any substantial relief from the burdens under which the country labors.

This issue we unhesitatingly accept, and upon it we wait with the fullest confidence the verdict of the electors of Canada.

FREE TRADE THE GOAL.

The Montreal Gazette is the leading organ of the government in the province of Quebec, but it is compelled to admit that the Liberal policy is as "near free trade as possible." It also very properly admits that it would be as unreasonable to demand from the Opposition the details of their tariff scheme in advance as it would be for the government to announce proposed tariff changes previous to their becoming law. The Gazette says:

"According to Hon. L. H. Davies, who is now addressing a series of meetings in the maritime provinces, the standard plank of the Liberal party is to give a tariff as near free trade as possible, but duties sufficient for revenue must be levied. That is about as clear a definition of the policy of the opposition as the public is likely to be favored with, and we are not disposed to quarrel with its lack of explicitness. It is no part of the business of an opposition to state the exact rates of duty they would impose upon particular articles if entrusted with power any more than it is the business of a government to announce proposed changes in the tariff in advance of their coming into operation."

THE LATEST FIGURE TRICK.

In its issue on Saturday under the head of "Canada's Public Debt," the "boodle" organ announced that the Hon. Mr. Haggart had recently given a "remarkably full and clear account" of the manner in which the enormous debt had been contracted. It is needless to say that Mr. Haggart did nothing of the sort. That astute gentleman very adroitly abstained from dealing with details. But our temerarious contemporary rushes in where the Tay canal "boodler" feared to tread and proceeds to doctor the figures. It bases its latest figure trick upon the falsification of the aggregate amount of the provincial debts assumed by the Dominion at confederation—which it coolly places at $100,000,000; but, almost in the same breath, supplies the contradiction and exposes the trick by stating that "the net debt in 1874 was $108,000,000." Now, if the debt at confederation was $100,000,000, and, in 1874, seven years later, $108,000,000, as stated by our contemporary, where, may we ask, did the government get the money to construct the Intercolonial railway and to meet the requirements of administration without adding to the permanent debt—which the Colonist's figures shows to have decreased $1,000,000?

The debts assumed by the Dominion in 1867-8 amounted to about $75,000,000 and not $100,000,000 as our contemporary would have its readers believe. But a discrepancy of $34,000,000 is a small affair to the Canadian-McKinleyites.

It is quite true that the Liberals added $33,000,000 to the public debt during their five years of administration. The exact figures are $32,038,105, an average of $6,500,000 per year and not $8,000,000 as our contemporary dishonestly states. It must, however, be remembered that $10,000,000 of this was expended on the I. C. R., which was not completed when Mr. Mackenzie came into power in 1873-4. There was, also, an item of $9,000,000 expended on the C. P. R., a legacy left by Sir John Macdonald's government. Mr. Mackenzie in addition expended $13,267,866 on canals during his five years of office. But this is not all. The estimates for 1873-4 were made by Sir Leonard Tilley, the finance minister under Sir John Macdonald, and the expenditure for the fiscal year was practically fixed by the Conservatives (?). Four months of the fiscal year had elapsed when Sir John was compelled to resign on the Pacific scandal and seven months of the year had actually expired before Mr. Mackenzie took the helm. A glance at the estimates will show that Sir Leonard Tilley estimated the expenditure for 1873-4 at $21,740,000, an increase over the previous year of $2,500,000; but in his estimates he neglected to make provision for the cost of the C. P. R. and public works surveys amounting to $2,450,000. He also neglected to provide for the increase of expenditure occasioned by the admission of Prince Edward Island into the union. It will, therefore, be seen that the government of Sir John Macdonald, in the last year of office (1872-3) committed the country to an expenditure of about $24,500,000 in 1873-4 and only made provision for $21,740,000 which Mr. Mackenzie had to face. This was the legacy of debt left the Liberal premier.

The Colonist admits that the net debt in 1878-9 was $140,000,000. In the Canada Gazette for December the official figures give the net debt at $246,509,270—which shows an increase of $106,000,000 in the net debt—not since confederation, but since the "boodling" began in 1878-9. The gross debt has increased nearly $137,000,000, not since confederation, as the Colonist would like us to believe, but since the introduction of high protection in 1878-9.

The cost of constructing the I. C. R. was $54,000,000, not $44,000,000 as stated by our contemporary. Several millions being uselessly expended on the "Grecian Bend" in Cumberland county, to strengthen the Tupper dynasty.

The Colonist admits that $62,000,000 of hard cash went into the maw of the C. P. R., of which the people of Canada do not own a dollar; and we shall show where several more millions went before we are through with the subject our contemporary has somewhat rashly introduced.

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PRESENTATION AND ADDRESS.

Supt. McCrady Presented with an Address by tramway Employees.

Superintendent F. W. McCrady, of the Victoria Electric Railway and Lighting Company was made the recipient of a very handsome present on Saturday at midnight in the shape of a gold mounted black ebony cane presented by the motorneers and conductors of the Victoria Electric railway as a mark of esteem and regard. A representative of the motorneers and conductors waited on Mr. McCrady on Friday evening and requested his presence in the office on Saturday at midnight as the men wished to meet him there. Mr. McCrady granted the request, anticipating that there might be some old-time grievance to settle. The motorneers and conductors met him in a body at the office at midnight after all the cars were in the shed, and Mr. J. Endean, stepping forward, said:

Mr. McCrady, it is with feeling of great pleasure we meet you here tonight and on behalf of all the motorneers and conductors of the Victoria Electric Railway I beg to tender you this small memento as a token of the regard and esteem in which you are held by us. We ask you to accept it, not for its intrinsic value, but with our kindest wishes for your future welfare. We fully realize that the success of any company depends in a great measure on the friendliness existing between the employees and their officers, and we fully appreciate the confidence you have always placed in us during your tenure of office, and we trust that our relations in the future will be such as to merit the continuation of that same friendliness and confidence that you have placed in us in the past. We thank you for the impartial and just manner you have always used in your dealings with employees, showing you were ever ready to sympathize with us in our troubles and smoothing many wrinkles in our path; doing your duty toward the company you are superintendent of, and dealing justly by us. And we hope your services will be so appreciated by the Victoria Electric Railway Company that you will be with us for many years to come. We extend to you and your family our sincere Christmas greetings and hope that you will spend a very merry Christmas and that the coming New Year will be happy and prosperous for you and the company of which you are superintendent, and will say, that I am sure I am reflecting the sentiments of every motorneer and conductor on the road in the few remarks I have just made.

Mr. Endean then presented Mr. McCrady with the very handsome cane, which was manufactured by C. E. Redfern and had the following inscription beautifully engraved on the gold top: "Presented to Mr. F. W. McCrady, superintendent of the V. E. R. and L. Co. by the conductors and motorneers as a mark of esteem and regard, December 25th, 1894."

Mr. McCrady in answer said: Gentlemen,—I must say that your proceedings to-night have been a great surprise to me. When requested to meet you here to-night I did not anticipate that this was the kind of trouble I had to face. In thanking you for your beautiful gift as well as your remarks of respect and esteem, I will say that I have always tried to deal justly with my fellow employees of this company and at the same time do my duty towards this company. I sincerely thank you for the valued assistance I have always received from you in the discharge of my duty, recognising the fact that a great measure of the success of any company depends largely on the harmony that exists among the employees, and as we are about to enter into another New Year, let us use if possible further exertions to further the interests of the Victoria Electric railroad and have the same harmony in the future that has existed in the past. I want you to come freely to me with any trouble you may at any time meet with during the discharge of your duties as you have done in the past and you will always find me ready and willing to assist you. I know your lot is not at all times a happy one; neither is mine; but you must bear in mind that for every crank you meet while discharging your duty, there are a great many good-natured men and women. I again thank you sincerely for your good wishes and kind expressions, and wish you to remember that if it should be ever necessary for anyone of you to sever your connection with this company you have my sincere well wishes for your future prosperity in whatever walk of life you may be placed."

Drums, Guns, Swords.

Pistols, rocking horses, velocipedes, wheelbarrows, express wagons, dolls and dolls' carriages, dolls' bedsteads and furniture, Christmas gifts and toys of every description at Russell & McDonald's, opposite the iron church, Douglas street.

Use Gibbon's Toothache gum, sold druggists.

LEGISLATIVE DUTIES.

Rev. Dr. Campbell Scores the Minister of Education.

Last evening Rev. Dr. Campbell, by request, gave a lecture in First Presbyterian church on rulers and citizens, taking as his text, "Righteous exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." (Prov. xiv., 34). He said that the greatness of a nation did not depend on its numerical strength, but on its righteousness and its greatness was in proportion to the degree of its righteousness. Selfishness is the plague-spot of modern society. Unselfishness wins the hearts of civilized and savage. The strength of the British empire is in the large measure of righteousness which permeates its laws which bind its colonies to the mother country, not as an iron bond of tyranny and despotism, but a bond of righteousness, in which the golden rule of Scripture is the basis. While the pulpit should not invade the region of party politics, still it was the part of the watchman on Zion's wall to keep a watchful eye on the legislation of the country. A strong argument was advanced in support of ministers of the gospel taking the lead against laws which were injurious in their practical results to the well being of the people as a whole. The great evil in this age was that politics and politicians were not sufficiently saturated with the principles of the Bible, and particularly the ethics of the sermon on the mount. The Bible is full of patriotism, and its prophets and historians were among the grandest patriots the world has ever produced. They were in close touch with the life of the nation, and exposed all trickery, dishonesty, and the sacrificing of the rights of the people by the rulers for office or aggrandisement. Oh, for a Luther, a Calvin or a Knox to awake the church and the nation just now. "The pulpit," we are told, "must be silent, even in the matters of moral reform in relation to legislation." The pulpit has a power, and that power should be used not only in the preaching of the gospel, but in the interest of the people to elevate society by the regulating of civil laws in the region of morals and the welfare of the people. The speaker showed that the legislators, being the people's representatives, what they did the people did, and therefore the people were responsible for the laws of the country. He referred to laws governing objectionable advertisements, placards, theatres, literature, etc. He dwelt at some length on the laws governing the opium and liquor trades. He referred with pungent sarcasm to the abortive attempt last session of the legislature to make a law for the better observance of "Sunday, commonly called the Lord's day," and also to the city council, who when asked by petition last spring to make a law to close candy and fruit stores, and other such places, on the Sabbath, found it ultra vires. Oh, for a Cromwell to step into the council chamber! He referred also to the minister of education attempting to introduce by the arm of the law a slice of the Anglican church catechism into the public schools, and because the ministers who did not belong to that communion demurred he was pleased to declare from his place in the legislative assembly that "the mistrust of these gentlemen had crystalized their zeal into bigotry," overlooking the fact that his conduct showed himself to be the crystalized bigot, if bigotry was at all an element in the matter. While the laws and code of morals of the country was as a whole highly lauded, many weak points and offensive laws were exposed. The people were urged to realize their responsibility of putting the best men in office to govern the province, and especially the city.

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Just half, that's what you save by purchasing your toys and Xmas gifts at Russell and McDonald's, opposite the iron church, Douglass street. tf

NEWFOUNDLAND'S REQUEST.

The Thunderer's Opinions of the Colony's Wants.

London, Dec. 24.—The Times to-day, during the course of an article on Newfoundland, says that to grant the loan of one million pounds, which has been asked for by the colonists, would be "Cruel kindness, which it would be impossible to concede without the fullest enquiry." The Times adds: "If the choice lies between insolvency and the surrender of their constitution, it is well that the alternative be faced without delay."

Beautiful Gifts Cheap.

Thousands of beautiful and useful gifts for ten cents each. A profusion of elegant and what would be considered in any other store costly gifts for 25 cents each at Russell & McDonald's, opposite the iron church, Douglas street.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Awarded Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.

USE MEXICAN MUSTANG LINIMENT for Man and Beast!

It quickly cures: Cuts, Burns, Corns, Bruises, Chilblains, Sprains, Cracks between the Toes, Scalds, Piles, Swellings, Ulcers, Stiff Joints, Old Sores, Inflammation of all kinds, Lame Back, Pimples, Rheumatism, Pustules, Caked Breasts, Eruptions, Diseased Tendons, Contracted Muscles, And all Lameness and Soreness.

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In Regular Stock—Gold and Silver Watches, Chains, Pins, Rings, Bracelets, Bangles, Etc.

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Pick Out What You Want, and we will keep it until you want it. All goods marked in plain figures. It is needless to tell you that this is

A CASH SALE

63 Government St.

BRIEF LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—Insure your plate glass Mellor. *

—Ladies' companions and scissors cases at Fox's.

—Teeth extracted, 50c. each. Dr. A. Humber, 93 1-2 Douglas street. *

—During the next two weeks the adult sight-singing class of the Victoria Conservatory of Music will meet on Wednesdays.

—Profits dispensed with on monuments and cemetery work at A. Stewart's, cor. Yates and Blanchard streets. See stock and designs. *

—The quarterly general meeting of the board of trade will be held on Friday, January 4, and the members should be reminded that notices must be handed the secretary on any new business.

—The Seattle News of Saturday says the Rosalie went on the dry dock again this morning to have a broken wheel repaired. This is the second time she has been on the ways this week. The Geo. E. Starr will take her place.

—A. K. Sinclair, who for several years has been a hunter on the schooner Geneva, is back from Halifax, N. S., with his bride. He was married there a few weeks ago to a charming young lady of that city, and since arriving home has been receiving general congratulations.

—The following donations to the Christmas dinner of the Old Men's Home have been acknowledged: Victoria Brewing Company, two dozen of ale; Henry Saunders, box of Japanese oranges and a turkey; Lieut.-Governor Dewdney, prime roast of beef and a goose.

—The Port Townsend Leader of yesterday says the British ship Scottish Dales, libelled and detained here for the past two weeks was released yesterday on an order from Judge Hanford. Bail in the sum of $200,000 was given and she will be towed around to Portland in order to save her charter, which expires on Dec. 31. She loads wheat for the United Kingdom.

—At the Saturday evening concert at the Y. M. C. A. Prof. Rene Quentin, the artist gave a chalk talk that was very interesting and humorous. It was a novel feature on the programme that was appreciated. A piano solo by Miss Haughton, vocal solos by A. Wheeler, recitation by H. Jackman, and the vocal duet by Mrs. Fernihough and George Grimason, were thoroughly appreciated.

—F. W. McCready, superintendent of the Victoria Electric Tramway and Lighting Company, was on Saturday presented with a gold-headed cane by the employees of the line. The presentation was a nicely worked surprise. Early in the week a delegation of the men waited on Mr. McCready and requested a meeting to settle a grievance and the genial superintendent came down town prepared to argue it out. An address accompanied the gift.

—The Xmas number of the Province issued on Saturday is an excellent edition, and reflects great credit upon the management. In addition to the sharp and clever criticisms and animated paragraphs a special feature of the number is several short and interesting pen and ink sketches. The recollections of Sir Matthew Baillie Begbie will be read with pleasure, while "A Winter Journey in 1861" will recall ye olden times to the pioneers.

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MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

—For prices plate glass see Mellor. *

—Razors in cases and shaving sets suitable for presents at Fox's. *

—Reduced rates only last till December 31st. Dr. A. A. Humber, 93 1-2 Douglas street. *

—Pick the price you can afford to pay and we will do the rest. Jamieson, next to the postoffice. *

—Boys' safety bicycles at Weilers, only $12 each, well finished and suitable for Xmas gifts. *

—Gilt lettering for Xmas and New Year's presents 25 cents a line. Phil R. Smith, 32 Langley street. *

—If you want to see a selection of fine cutlery, look in at Weilers. They have the largest stock in the province. *

—Seghers Council, Y. M. I., meets next Wednesday and nominates officers. Father Yorke, of San Francisco, will be present.

—The beans in the jar in Jamieson's window will be counted next Monday evening at 10 o'clock. Have you had a coupon yet? *

—C. D. Stevens is back from a trip up the Island and reports that at Union last week there was over two feet of snow on the ground.

—The pulpit presented to St. Columba church by Mr. Malcolm Blackstock and Mr. Archie MacInnes was dedicated at the evening service yesterday.

—Mistletoe—Just arrived from England, a consignment of mistletoe, in good condition. Order early, as the supply is limited. James Moss, 99 Quadra.

—All the government offices were closed to-day and will remain closed until Thursday morning. The officials will also have three days' holidays next week.

—Up to this afternoon only two cabin passengers had been booked for the steamship Walla Walla which leaves to-night for San Francisco. They are Miss A. Harrison and Harry Trotter.

—The holiday season is at hand, and our advice to all desiring a tasty and useful gift for a friend is to get one of those beautiful canisters, filled with the choicest of teas, at the Victoria Tea House. *

—One thing about us here—You can buy in as big a hurry as you like, because you know you've only to say the word and back goes your money. Cameron, the Cash Clothier, 55 Johnson street.

—The Northern Pacific liner Tacoma is due here on January 6. Agent Connon has not yet been advised as to her cargo but she will very likely come in with about all the freight aboard that can be stored.

—Next Thursday Demers Council, Y. M. I., will dedicate their new hall at Wellington. Vice-President Father Van Nevel will be present and also W. J. Cusack, D. D. G. P., and J. W. Byrne, D. D. G. P.

—Friday afternoon there will be an Xmas entertainment given to the Sunday school children of St. Andrew's Roman Catholic cathedral when tea will be served by the ladies to the little ones. In the evening there will be a concert commencing at 8.

—A telegram received this morning from Vancouver announced the death at that place last night of Don Burner, the young son of Harry V. Burner, formerly of this city. The boy was a bright lad whose death will be deeply deplored by the friends of the family.

—The city council meets to-night. Ald. Dwyer will move that A. McL. Hawkes be engaged as consulting engineer on the construction of the water works filter and that he receive 2 1-2 per cent. remuneration. Mr. Hawkes undertakes to make five visits to the city during construction.

—Wonderful to behold is the glass exhibition as given by Prof. Greiner at No. 77 Government street. His two steam engines are masterpieces of mechanism and the $10,000 glass dress is an art production which seeks its equal. No one should fail to visit this wonderful display. *

—The Canadian-Australian liner Miowera left Sydney on Tuesday last for Victoria and Vancouver. Advices to the C. P. R. officials are to the effect that her Australian freight amounted to 425 tons and that she had 20 cabin and 10 steerage passengers. By the time she receives her Fijian and Hawaiian freight she will have a good cargo. She is due here the second week in January.

—The sewerage commissioners met at 10 o'clock this morning to consider the claim of Coughlan & Mayo for further allowance under their contracts on the sewers. Mr. Wilmot attended on behalf of the city, and Mr. Coughlan represented his firm, who claim some $3000 or $4000 in excess of the amount allowed by the city engineers. The board will meet again on Thursday and will then announce their decision.

—The general favorite, Katie Putnam, will open at the Victoria theatre on Monday, Dec. 31, in her new play, "Dad's Girl." No word of commendation is necessary in presenting the claims of Miss Putnam for public suffrage. She is too well known and too thoroughly appreciated to make such necessary, and the new play presents opportunities for the exercise of her talents that will, without doubt, carry her one stage further on the wave of prosperity.

Sit Now and Avoid Delay

"Coronas" $4.00 per doz., newest and most beautiful style of photo; better and more suitable than Xmas cards. Skene Lowe, Studio 63 Govt. Street.

—Fine carvers, cutlery, etc., for Xmas presents at Sidney Shore's, 57 Johnson street. *

—Fine carved bread boards, butter dishes, egg stands, at Fox's, 78 Government street. *

—It's natural to follow the crowd, for the majority don't go wrong. Jamieson, next to post office. *

—Good fresh pure wholesome candies at 10 cents per pound at Montgomery's, 42 Government street. *

—"Standing room only" sign has been out all day. How many beans are there in the jar? Jamieson's, next to the postoffice. *

—When selecting wines for the holidays buy the best that the market affords at California Wine Co., limited, 55 and 57 Broad street. *

—The city employes are pleased. They received their salaries to-day instead of Wednesday, and are therefore in circumstances for the holidays.

—In order to introduce our own make of delicious chocolate creams we will reduce the price to 25 cents per pound until after Xmas. Montgomery's, 42 Government street. *

—Ah Sam and Wo Kee were in the police court to-day, charged with an infraction of the revenue by-law. They paid their obligations to the city treasurer, with costs, and were let go.

—At the Sir William Wallace society banquet the four guests of honor received illuminated menu cards as souvenirs of the occasion. They were hand painted, and were a credit to Rene Quentin, who executed them.

—Fifty copies of the score of Il Trovatore have been received by Professor W. Edgar Buck and are being distributed. The principals have their parts well in hand and the first rehearsal of the choruses will be held either on the first or second Wednesday in January.

—The greatest facilities in the province offered at Monroe Miller's Bindery for Ruling, Blank Books, Pass Books, Receipt Books, etc. As they have not quite eighty per cent. of the whole private work of the province they have any amount of time on their hands to attend to the wants of their customers. *

—D. A. McKinnon, charged with the larceny of a diamond locket from Lange's jewelry store, was in court this morning for a further hearing of the case. Mr. Lange himself and Chief Sheppard, who made the arrest, gave evidence, and there were several interesting tilts on the matter of identification, George E. Powell, for the defence, endeavoring to break them down on it.

—The steamship Umatilla, Capt. Hunter, arrived here yesterday afternoon after a very good passage. There was considerable delay in landing the passengers here owing to the non-arrival of the doctor. The steamship brings no tidings of the missing vessels off the coast. Following were the Victoria passengers: J. E. Linsey, Mrs. C. J. Robinson, Mrs. M. Goodwin, Miss A. Goodwin, and nine in the steerage.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

Preparations For the Visit of Commander Booth.

A very special Christmas jubilee will be held in the Salvation Army barracks in the evening, when the jubilee band, composed entirely of sisters, will make their appearance and furnish music throughout the evening. Everybody is welcome.

Great preparations are being made for the visit of General Booth to this city on January 2nd and 3rd. The procession will form upon the arrival of the City of Kingston from Seattle, and headed by several bands will march to the city hall, where an address of welcome will be tendered him by the mayor and aldermen on behalf of the citizens. Several societies will be represented at the meeting.

The Wednesday evening meeting will commence at 7.30 and is to be held in the theatre, the subject announced being "Rise and Progress of the Salvation Army." Those who wish to be present at this meeting should secure their tickets, which are for sale at Jamieson's book store or the Salvation Army barracks. A number of seats will be reserved during this week.

On Thursday at 10.30 a.m. General Booth will meet the members of the legislative assembly on the colonization scheme. At 3 p.m. he will lead a holiness convention in the Metropolitan on Pandora street, and in the evening he will speak on "Darkest England," "Launching the Social Scheme," and explaining its workings all over the world. Hon. Theodore Davie will occupy the chair at this meeting. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Important.

Our Mr. Ker has just returned from a successful trip through the Northwest Territories and Eastern Washington, where he has purchased next year's supply of grain at remarkably low figures. Our customers will get the benefit. The Brackman & Ker Milling Company, Ltd., Victoria and Westminster. *

Buy your Xmas Wines at the California Wine Co., Ltd., 51 and 57 Broad street.

—Catarrh—Use Nasal Balm. Quick, positive cure. Soothing, cleansing, healing.

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FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

In addition to my usually large and fine stock of Watches, Jewelry, Diamonds, Sterling Silverware, Etc., I have this season imported A SPECIALLY FINE LINE OF NOVELTIES SUITABLE FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PRESENTS, which having been purchased for cash direct from the manufacturers, will be sold at LOWER PRICES than such goods have ever before been offered in this city.

C. E. REDFERN,

43 Government Street, 3 doors from Broughton Street.

ASSIGNEE SALE.

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

Now is a chance to provide articles for Christmas Trees FOR VERY LITTLE at

LOMBARD & CO.'S

The B. C. Poultry and Commission Company

. . . ARE SELLING LIVE POULTRY DRESSED TO ORDER . . .

Turkeys, live .....19c. per lb
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Geese from.....$1.25 to $1.50 each
Ducks .....$1.25 per pair
Chickens from.....80c. to $1 per pair
Delivered free of charge to any part of the city.

22 1-2 Pandora St., Cor. Broad and Cormorant, Opposite City Market.

S. A. STODDART,

68 YATES STREET,
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THE CHEAPEST JEWELRY HOUSE

Will sell during the Christmas Season

Waterbury Nickle Alarms, 90c.
German Nickle Alarms, 75c.
14 Karat SOLID GOLD Waltham, Elgin, Columbus, Rockford and other full jewelled movements, $20.
Solid Silver Stemwind Watches from $4.
Ladies' Silver Stemwind Watches from $4.
All other goods belonging to the business will be found the cheapest in the city and warranted.

Movements—Waltham or Elgin, with GOLD filled cases, warranted 5 years, from $10.00.
With 15 year cases, $12.50.
With 21 year cases, $15.
All warranted the latest and newest goods.

Musical Clocks, $5.
Solid Gold Specs and Eyeglasses, $5.
Every article ticketed in plain figures

The Cheapest House in the City, for Durable Goods.

S. A. STODDART,
Wholesale and Retail Jeweller.

REMOVAL SALE

We are going to move to 77 Government Street, the store lately occupied by J. Johnston, and are going to clear out our stock at a sacrifice to avoid moving it. Now is the time to buy Christmas gifts, such as Gloves, Fancy Suspenders, Neckties, Handkerchiefs, Etc.

This sale is for CASH only.

W. J. JEFFREE,

The Golden Rule Clothing Store,
Corner Yates and Douglas Streets.

FOR CHEAPER DOCKAGE.

Petition to the Government in Regard to the Esquimalt Dock.

The appended petition, which is self-explanatory, has been in circulation for several days and has received several hundred signatures, mostly in shipping circles:

The Hon. J. A. Ouimet, Minister of Public Works, Ottawa:

"We, the undersigned shipowners, carpenters, pilots, shipwrights and others of Victoria and Esquimalt, beg respectfully to call the attention of the government to the question of reducing the dock charges now in force in the Esquimalt dry dock. Your petitioners consider that if the present charges were reduced it would be the means of making the dock self-sustaining and would also be a great benefit to Victoria and the province in general. At present vessels requiring repairs and steamers wishing to be docked pass this place and go where the dock rates are cheaper. An early consideration of the above would be of great value to the undersigned."

The object in getting up the petition for the reduction was to bring about an order of things that would keep a class of large vessels here for repairs that now go elsewhere.

Warning to Women.

Ladies who appreciate the high quality of Priestley's dress goods should make it a point to see that Priestley's name is stamped on every five yards. Instances are not unknown where Priestley's trade mark, "The Varnished Board," has been used the second time with inferior goods wrapped upon it.

—Nicely framed pictures (all good subjects) at very reasonable figures; these will make good wall decorations. Weiler Bros. *

DRINKS' AWFUL WORK.

George Ashford of Vancouver Brutally Murders His Wife and Child.

He Then Makes an Unsuccessful Attempt to End His Own Life.

Yesterday morning at about 8 o'clock a man was seen on the Westminster and Vancouver tramway track just beyond the city limits, says the Vancouver News-Advertiser of Sunday. As the early tram approached on its way to the city he was noticed to pull a pistol and discharge the contents into the back of his head on the left side and immediately throw himself in front of the approaching car. It was stopped in time, however, the wounded man taken on board and brought to town. On the way in Sergeant Haywood boarded the car and arrested him on the charge of committing the most brutal and inhuman crime every perpetrated in this city. It was one of dual if not triple murder, and had for its sad victims the wife and two little children of its fiendish perpetrator.

At six o'clock the same morning the mother and her three-year-old little Violet were sleeping side by side when the father strode into their room and waking them with the warning that he was about to kill her covered her half-open eyes with a revolver and with the leaden missive pierced the left side of her head just below the ear. Reaching over he then shot Violet the ball entering between the eyes. He then shot at the other little one and ran out of the house whence he followed the tram line out of the city.

The second girl shot, Mildred, on being taken to the hospital was examined by Police Magistrate Jordan as she lay on a little cot in one of the wards. She said:

Mildred Ashford is my name. I am nine years old. My mother's name is Ruth. My father's name is George. Father was at home yesterday. He came in at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. I saw him then. He had some parcels. He also had a box. He would not show us what was in the box. He took the front paper off. He shook it and it rattled. He said he would not show it till he did some writing, and when he had a sleep he would show it. He opened one of the parcels. It was a bottle of whiskey. The same bottle was on the table this morning. When I came back from practice he was in bed. Father slept in a bed with my little sister. I was sleeping with mother. Father came into our room. I heard a bang. I was half asleep. I woke up. I heard mother scream. My father had shot her. She got the covers off herself. I saw blood come out of her mouth. She then put her head under the blankets. He shot her again. He shot through the covering. He then shot at Violet. Then he shot at me. He shot me in the head. I could hear Fred and Willie running down stairs. I heard them crying. Father was loading the gun at the tight. Papa then ran away. I have not seen him since. After I was shot I got up and lifted mamma's head. She could not speak. After I was shot I ran down stairs to shut the back door with Fred. My head was bleeding. I went over to Mr. Thomas' house. Mr. Thomas said, "I don't want to interfere in a dangerous case like that." I then saw Officer Crawford at the gate. (The boys had been down for Elm in the meantime.) Mr. Crawford went upstairs. He came down and asked if there were any women about.

At this period the surgeons stepped in and refused to allow the examination to go any further. It seems almost incredible that a child could have such pluck and endurance.

A visit was made to the shattered home near the corner of Campbell avenue and Keefer street in the east end. Nothing as yet had been disturbed. Upon the fatal bed the bodies of mother and baby girl yet lay side by side weltering in their gore and with faces bestained with the streams that had oozed from the pierced brains.

As far as could be learned the history of the crime ran as follows:

George Frederick Ashford, the unhappy father, had returned home the preceding evening after a day spent like many previous ones in drinking. It might have been about nine o'clock. He did not go to bed but probably lay down in his clothes for a few hours, after which he arose and wrote the following letters, which were found on the table in the sitting room:

One addressed on the outside to "Jordan, Esq., police magistrate," was on the inside directed "To the World at large." It read:

To the World at Large:

I have been the cause of having six young children, and I do not think it right to leave them on the earth without support, so I take them with me. The little girls will never have to go on the streets for a living, and their poor mother will be an angel.

I intended to have revenge upon Adam, the scab, but if I had tried it I would have had to leave my little ones to the cold mercy of the world. But I let him go, but I will wait for him and settle matters hereafter.

I can't write any more.

Ask Adam if he has stolen a pipe lately. G. A. F.

The other letters were as follows:

Vancouver, Dec. 22, 1894.

To Fleming Robinson, Esq.:

Dear Sir:—You may recollect that a couple of years ago a shipment was made of some wood work from the wreck of the Beaver to New Westminster, and that a copper bolt was found missing on same on its arrival at its destination. Devlin, who was the C. P. R. detective, had charge of the case and it was never found out who took the bolt. I write this to say that Adam Lougheed was the person who abstracted the article from the timber. Jack Munro, Ted. Dering, Joe Cope and others saw him do it.

GEO. FRED. ASHFORD.

Vancouver, Dec. 22, 1894.

To J. D. Turnbull:

I will call for you on New Year's eve and I won't pull my watch out if you are one minute late. You know what I mean.

GEO. FRED. ASHFORD.

Between waiting there and drinking he passed the night and with the approach of dawn effected his horrible and premeditated plan.

Little Mildred (now in the hospital), Willie, aged 10, and his brother Fred had all been at the singing practice at St. James' church the previous evening. The former two had been aroused by the shot. Willie ran to the neighbors who sent him down to Officer Thomas Crawford's. The officer was met on the street just going off night duty. Sending the boy further on to catch Officer Butler, Crawford hurried to the scene and met Mildred at the gate in her night dress. To a hurried question the little one moaned "Oh, please, sir, I'm shot too." Entering the house the officer was just in time to prevent a conflagration, the bed clothes having been lighted by the pistol fire. He found both mother and daughter living and in haste ran to a telephone and called up Dr. Bell-Irving. Returning he found the woman dead and just as the doctor arrived the little one's life also slipped away. The wound of Mildred was then dressed and she was taken to the hospital where with Dr. Thomas an examination was made. It was soon found that she had been shot but once above the left temple. The bullet had fortunately glanced off, not penetrating the skull. The little one had, however, suffered a most severe shock, and although cheerful and patient as well as very brave while under the surgeon's hands, for some time her condition was very uncertain. She has been resting well during the day and is now expected to recover speedily.

At the police station Dr. Thomas attended the prisoner. He was found to be shot in the back of the head on the left side. The ball, however, glanced off inflicting a scalp wound a couple of inches long. He had also a deep cut in the left ear, the result probably of falling on a sharp stone. This was badly filled with earth, but neither were considered dangerous. The prisoner was in a highly excited condition and kept calling for brandy. He was in fact thoroughly saturated with liquor though not sufficiently so to produce delirium.

Ashford is a man of medium height and weight, who draws the pension of a sergeant-major. His thin haggard face is worn and half-starved and carries but little expression with it, except the traces of prolonged drinking without sufficient food. He had some fortnight ago lost his position in the freight sheds of the C. P. R. because of his unsteady habits.

The deceased wife is a daughter of Mr. Nelmes, a well known settler on the Capilano. She was evidently a careful and thrifty wife, and her home and children betokened no little taste and work. In the former all the usual preparations for the approaching festival were on, even to the buying of the children's presents, while the neat clothes of the children, of whom five were at home, and their respectful bearing and language speaks volumes for the worth of their unhappy mother.

Amongst the neighbors and his fellow workmen the prisoner appears to have been always a weak and peculiar man, but of the rest of the family sentiment was quite the reverse.

The bodies were yesterday removed to the morgue where a post mortem examination will be held to-morrow, when the inquest will also be opened.

SOME EMPTY HONORS.

Members of the Nobility Who Have Come to Grief.

Sir Thomas Echlin, who has just been discovered serving on the Dublin police force in the humble capacity of an ordinary "bobby," at the munificent salary of $6 a week, is by no means the only member of the English or continental nobility who has been driven by poverty to seek a livelihood in the humblest walks of life, and he is distinctly better off at $6 a week than was his uncle, Sir Frederick Echlin, who was a pauper in the workhouse of Enderby, in Kildare, or his father, Sir Ferdinand, the sixth baronet, who was a superannuated peasant, dependent upon parish relief and upon the contributions of his three sons, the eldest of whom is the present baronet.

Another old English baronetcy in somewhat the same condition is that of Burdett, the present holder of the title, Sir Charles Burdett, being the fourth of seventeen, drifting about in New Zealand, dependent for his subsistence on public and private charity. His father, the late Sir Charles Wentworth Burdett, died twenty years ago in the penitentiary at Auckland, New Zealand, while serving a twelve months' sentence for theft. Descended in a direct line from Americus de Burdett, who lived in the reign of Henry III, he commenced his career in the army, serving as captain of the Fifty-Fourth Regiment of Infantry. He squandered all his possessions and took to drink. After being repeatedly charged in the London police courts with drunken and disorderly conduct, with begging in the streets, his relatives finally shipped him off to Australia. He failed, however, to better his fortunes there, and, when not in prison, tramped about the country in rags and with shoeless feet, eking out a precarious subsistence by stripping bark from trees, cooking for bushmen, and doing odd jobs about squatters' stations, begging and pilfering.

It was only the other day that Sir Edward Poore, who traces his descent back to the reign of "Bloody Mary," died in the direst penury in Western Australia after a most checkered career. He formerly owned a most handsome estate in Wiltshire, and was an officer of the Scots Guards, but ruined himself for the sake of a woman with whose charms he became infatuated, and with whom he fled to the Antipodes, deserting his wife and children, the oldest of whom, the present baronet, is captain in the Royal Navy, and a son-in-law of the Bishop of Limerick. Sir Edward dropped his title on reaching Australia and took to business, first as a contractor, then as a hotel keeper and finally as a manager of a low liquor saloon; but failed in everything and died a pauper.

Until a few years ago there was a pensioner of the realm, the widow of the last Lord of Kingsland, who was drawing a civil list pension obtained for her by Lord Beaconsfield, whose well-known views with regard to the dignity of the nobility had received a terrible shock when it was brought to his notice that she was earning a miserable living as a washerwoman at Kensington. Her husband prior to becoming a peer was a waiter in a Dublin hotel, but abandoned this calling on becoming a lord by succession, and depended upon charity and upon his wife's earnings as a laundress. He was the original of Lover's "Handy Andy," and so illiterate that he could not even write his own name. The last Lord Kirkcudbright was a glover in a small way in Edinburgh, and kept shop until his death. Sir John Norwich, of Brampton, whose baronetcy was created in the earlier half of the seventeenth century, died in the workhouse at Kettering, Northamptonshire, where his son and successor, Sir Samuel, was a journeyman carpenter. Yet another baronet, Sir Richard Moore, after losing his job as third-class warder of the penitentiary on Spike island, died a few years ago a street beggar in Dublin. I do not know how his son, thee present baronet, earns his living.

It is not long ago that Lady Mansel, the widow of Sir Richard Mansel, appeared in New York in a show of the music hall order, her husband having been entirely dependent upon her earnings until his death, while Sir Herbert Langham, after he had reached the end of his financial tether and was posted as a bankrupt, was charged only the other day at the Bow street police station in London, by one of the leading metropolitan banks, with obtaining $6,000 under false pretenses, a lady not his wife being associated with him in the case.

Besides these there are a number of other members of Great Britain's baronetcy—that order of the aristocracy which for some reason or another has always been regarded with a certain degree of contempt, publicly and openly expressed on several occasions by the late Lord Beaconsfield—who are, so to speak, down in the world. One of them is among the minor performers on the London stage, another is a seaside photographer of the tintype order, while two others are serving as policemen in Australian towns.

Nor should I omit from the list the name of Viscount Hinton, who is earning his living as an organ-grinder, the Viscountess taking up the collection in a tin cup. His lordship was formerly a clown in a country circus, and her ladyship an acrobat in the same show. One of the Marquis of Huntley's brothers—the Marquis is known as the "Cock of the North" by reason of his chieftainship of the Gordon clan—was indicted some time ago in a London police court for keeping a low class gambling den, while his wife, Lady Granville Gordon, does her best to fill the family exchequer in a more reputable manner, by conducting a millinery shop in Bond street, London.

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List of Lands and Improvements within the Corporation of the City of Victoria to be sold for Taxes and Costs on the 14th day of January, 1895, at the City Hall, Victoria, at 12 o'clock noon, in pursuance of the Victoria Real Estate Tax Sale By-law, 1894, unless in the meantime the arrears of Taxes and Costs due in respect of each lot in the schedule hereinunder written be paid.

Lot.	Block.	Section.		Amount of Arrears of Taxes.	Amount of Costs.	Person Assessed.	Registered Owner on the 3rd day of November, 1894, as per Land Registery Office.
Part 87	20		Land and Improvements	$ 53 30	$ 7 81	Morris Moses	Morris Moses
Sub-d'n 1 of 121a	24		Land and Improvements	116 91	27 46	M. Powers	Carroll Estate
Sub-d'n 20 of 121a	24		Land and Improvements	44 64	19 48	M. Powers	Carroll Estate
Part 794	10		Land	14 21	2 19	Unknown	Unknown
E ½ 876	1		Land and Improvements	15 30	3 58	Lucie Thiebault	Lucie Thiebault
997	17		Land	18 36	4 36	Estate J. Montero	Estate J. Montero
1007	17		Land and Improvements	29 46	6 91	Estate J. Montero	Estate J. Montero
1218	28		Land and Improvements	13 75	3 22	Estate of Jno. Smith	Estate of Jno. Smith
Sub-d'n 13 of 1257	7		Land and Improvements	57 89	13 59	James Gibson	Winnifred Gibson
5	15-16	Beckley Farm	Land	9 18	2 15	H. G. Morgan	Winslow D. Morgan
22	37	Fairfield	Land	5 35	1 24	Richard Robinson	Joseph Phœnix
28	37	Fairfield	Land	5 35	1 24	Joseph Grice	Joseph Phœnix
½ 15	58-59	Fernwood	Land	3 80	88	E. V. Bodwell	W. J. Cline
½ 16	58-59	Fernwood	Land	3 80	88	E. V. Bodwell	W. J. Cline
N pt 5	sub	urban 5 Acre lot III	Land and Improvements	27 53	6 48	Catherine Gant	Catherine Gant
9	E ½ sub	urban 5 Acre lot VI	Land	6 10	1 42	A. Pujol	A. Pujol
10	E ½ sub	urban 5 Acre lot VI	Land	6 10	1 42	A. Pujol	A. Pujol
16	sub	urban 5 Acre lot XIII	Land and Improvements	4 30	1 00	John Murray	John Murray
13	sub	urban 5 Acre lot XX	Land	13 76	3 22	D. McPhadden	Not registered
43	69-72	Spring Ridge	Land and Improvements	6 12	1 42	Clara Haggerty	Clara Ollens Haggerty
9	1	Finlayson Estate	Land and Improvements	14 53	3 40	W. H. Doscher	Henry W. Doscher
10	1	Finlayson Estate	Land and Improvements	14 53	3 40	W. H. Doscher	Henry W. Doscher
2	13	Work Estate	Land	9 18	2 12	Thos. Pamphlet	Thos. Pamphlet
3	13	Work Estate	Land and Improvements	9 18	2 12	Thos. Pamphlet	Thos. Pamphlet
9	34	Hillside Farm	Land	5 35	1 24	W. J. Cline	W. J. Cline
12	34	Hillside Farm	Land	5 35	1 24	A. B. McNeil	A. B. McNeil
			Totals	$491 03	$115 71		

Dated at City Hall, Victoria, B.C., City Collector's Office, December 12th, 1894.

CHAS. KENT,
Collector of the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

TRANSPORTATION.

CANADIAN PACIFIC NAVIGATION CO.,
(LIMITED.)

TIME TABLE NO. 24.
Taking effect Sept. 1st, 1894.

Vancouver Route.

Victoria to Vancouver daily, except Monday at 2 o'clock a.m.

Vancouver to Victoria daily, except Monday at 13:15 o'clock, or on arrival of C.P.R. No. 1 train.

New Westminster Route.

Leave Victoria for New Westminster, Ladner's Landing and Lulu Island, Sunday at 23 o'clock, Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock. (Sunday's steamer to New Westminster connects with C.P.R. train No. 2 going east Monday.)

For Plumper Pass Wednesday and Friday at 7 o'clock.

For Pender and Moresby Islands and Sidney, Friday at 7 o'clock.

Leave New Westminster for Victoria, Monday at 13:15 o'clock; Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

For Plumper Pass Thursday and Saturday at 7 o'clock.

For Pender Island and Sidney, Thursday at 7 o'clock.

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TRANSPORTATION.

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RAILWAY.

TIME TABLE NO. 21.

To take effect at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 1, 1894.

All Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

NORTH BOUND. Read down. No. 2 Passenger Daily.	No. 4 Passenger Saturday.	Miles from Victoria.	STATIONS	SOUTH BOUND. Read up. No. 1 Passenger Daily.	No. 3 Passenger Saturday.	Miles from Wellington.
Dep. 8.00 a.m.	Dep. 2.00 p.m.	—	VICTORIA	Ar. 12.40 p.m.	Ar. 6.00 p.m.	0
8.04	2.04	1	RUSSELLA	12.36	5.56	1
8.08	2.08	2	GORGE	12.32	5.52	2
8.13	2.13	3½	COLWOOD	12.27	5.47	3½
8.19	2.19	5	SUMMIT SIDING	12.21	5.41	5
8.26	2.26	6½	SHAWNIGAN LAKE	12.14	5.34	6½
8.34	2.34	8	COBBLE HILL	12.06	5.26	8
8.41	2.41	9½	McPHERSON'S	11.59	5.19	9½
8.50	2.50	11	KOKSILAH	11.50	5.10	11
8.56	2.56	12½	DUNCANS	11.44	5.04	12½
9.05	3.05	15	CHEMAINUS	11.35	4.55	15
9.30	3.30	24	OYSTER BAY	11.10	4.30	24
9.45	3.45	28½	NANAIMO	10.55	4.15	28½
10.10	4.10	34½	WELLINGTON	10.30	3.50	34½
Ar. 10.14 a.m.	Ar. 4.14 p.m.			Lv. 10.26 a.m.	Lv. 3.46 p.m.	

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Commencing January 8, on Wednesdays and Saturdays trains will run through, arriving at Nelson at 5:40 p.m., making close connection with the steamer Nelson for Kaslo and all lake points, arriving at Kaslo at 9:00 p.m. same days. Returning passengers will leave lake points and Nelson on Tuesdays and Fridays, arriving at Spokane at 5:30 p.m. same days.

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IN THE CITY CHURCHES.

Rev. Solomon Cleaver Preaches on Card Playing and Dancing.

Children's Sermon Preached by Rev. W. L. Clay in St. Andrew's Church.

"DOUBTFUL DIVERSIONS."

That the interest is still lively in the series of sermons by the Rev. Cleaver was evident by the packed church last evening. People began to fill the church at 6.15, and by the hour the service commenced every available pew and chair was occupied. The preacher took as his text Ecclesiastes, chapter iii., verse 4: "A time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance." In introducing his subject he laid particular stress upon the fact that the tendency of the present generation is to be content with outside show, neglecting the pure metal for the plated article in order to make a display. That the people were wild after amusements, and the young people believed only in having "a real good time." He pointed out that God's word makes ample provision for sport, that rejoicing is the spirit of Christianity and joy of nature. The birds, beasts and fishes all sport, and the more perfect the organism the greater the power to enjoy. He showed that by the establishment of festivals throughout the Israelites life and early history, and even by the fact of placing Adam and Eve in a garden, God had countenanced and provided amusement. But it will be said, and truly, that on the very threshold of a Christian's career he is met by self-denial. The reason for this is very simple. The joy that follows self-denial is far greater than the joy preceding it. The Lord never asks us to give up something without substituting a better for it; one joy without substituting a grander joy. As in practical life we root up the trees of the forest in order to plant a flower garden or fruit trees or give up the cosey corner of an old house for the grander and more comfortable home which we have built. Peter would never have known the joy of preaching and being the means of thousands' conversion had he not first given up his nets. The sacrifices demanded are of the things that would hinder, not help us in our new life, and they are demanded with a view to enlarging, not contracting, our sphere of happiness; not to narrow, but to widen, the range of our vision. He then proceeded to show what would have happened had Elisha persisted in taking his plough along, or Peter his nets; how that these would have been a hindrance to progress, and yet some people want to be Christians and carry with them the ploughs of pride and the nets of indulgences, which must prove sooner or later a hindrance and a curse to them. This principle he applied to amusements which some people wanted to be allowed to hold. There are some things absolutely forbidden as wrong in themselves independent of any surroundings, such as thou shalt not kill, steal, commit adultery, bear false witness, but there are, and always have been, things whose rightfulness and wrongfulness was not in themselves but in their surroundings environment and influence. Any amusement which is out of harmony with the duty one owes to himself or his neighbor may be condemned as wrong. We are responsible for the influence we have upon our neighbor and the stumbling-blocks we neglect to remove. The worst vices that devastate Victoria to-day began in doubtful diversions. The doubtful diversions of to-day are the vices of to-morrow. He would only take up one or two of the doubtful diversions, and the audience could themselves apply the principle to the rest.

Card playing, by which he meant the games with cards generally understood as games of chance. He knew it might be urged that skill was required to play cards scientifically. He admitted the fact, but it also required skill to become a rogue. No matter how harmless apparently might be the game, he wished his audience to know that all games of chance are dangerous grounds. He illustrated how two boys, one who could not play and one who had learned at home, might be subjected to temptation in their boarding house, and the one who knew might be gradually led to gamble. He said most emphatically that card playing should not be indulged in at home; that the boys should not be taught, and by this means the tendency to evil would be lessened. A cardplaying Christian has less influence for good.

Dancing was the next amusement he handled. The preacher was not down on dancing, despite the cry that "all Methodists are down on dancing." He had not the slightest objection to dancing when properly conducted. Does not the text plainly say that there is a time to dance. Miriam, the prophetess, danced, and in fact led the dance while one thousand followed. God was not angry at this, neither did Moses, her brother, find fault. David also danced. But it is important that it should be properly conducted. How did these people dance and in what manner were the dances conducted? 1. They danced in the daytime. 2. They danced alone, each sex by itself, never men and women together. 3. They danced to God's glory. This is the proper way to dance, and God's word allows it. Heathen Rome suppressed the pleasure dances as immoral and ruinous to the state 180 years before Christ.

The speaker then referred to the arguments advanced by the supporters of dancing as modernized and severely criticized the plea of healthfulness, giving the late hours at which dancing is practiced. And in answer to the excuse that gracefulness is given to the figure he thought that the time could be much more economically spent. It would be admitted that if dancing was a healthy exercise it should be in the open air, in moderate quantities and at regular interrals, while the reverse is the fact. The young man is not fresher on the morning following the dance, and his brain is not brighter, as would be the case if the dance were healthful. The plea that it is better to dance than to backbite one's neighbor's also is very lame, as it is a question whether there is not as much gossip on the floor of the ballroom and after the dance as in any other place. That a Christian loses much of his influence for good in a community by dancing is generally admitted. He would not say that a Christian would never dance, but, as in card playing, it was not helpful to progress in Christian life. He had noticed that a person who had danced one night did not lead prayer meeting the next night, nor did that person pray or give his experience. If one were on the point of death and required consolation it is not likely that the dancing Christian of to-day would be sent for. Touching on the moral side of the question, which he could do but lightly, he had not doubt that much of the misery of the women of to-day could be traced back to the influence of the ballroom. If it were good to dance why not let the minister dance, but who would countenance a dancing minister in the Methodist church? He concluded by denouncing dancing as unhealthy for the mind, body and soul.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES.

In St. Andrew's church on Sunday morning a special childrens service was held, when the Rev. W. Leslie Clay addressed the little ones of the congregation on the advent of Christ to earth. That "peace on earth and good-will to men" of which the herald angels sang, he told the children, was the object of Christ's coming to earth, and the Christmas season, the happiest time of all the year, was the celebration of this great event. In concluding an interesting address he impressed upon the children the fact that as Christ had given himself as the first and greatest gift, the best possible way to please Him was for them in return to give themselves to Christ.

The children of Central Presbyterian church Sunday school will enjoy their Christmas treat on Thursday next. The feature of the evening and one that will amuse the children will be a visit from "old Mrs. Frump," who kindly volunteered to come. The children will in turn amuse the older heads with a programme of songs and recitations.

The children of Spring Ridge Sunday school will give an entertainment in the Odd Fellows' Hall on Wednesday night. There will be a Christmas tree and presents for all the children. The children and teachers have just bought and paid for a new library for the Sunday school.

The Sunday school children of St. Luke's, Mount Tolmie, will have their Christmas festival this evening.

Following out a time honored custom the gentlemen of the choir of St. Saviour's church, Victoria West, will this week go around from house to house singing Christmas carols. The first meeting will take place this evening.

TO THE SCHOOL TEACHERS.

A Letter of Instruction Sent out for Their Guidance.

A copy of the following circular has been sent to each teacher in the graded and rural schools in the province by the educational department:

Frequent complaints have been made to this department in regard to pupils not being dismissed at times named in Article 1, clause 1 of the Rules and Regulations.

In Article 1, clause 3, it is stated that "in no case shall a pupil be detained after school hours for a longer period than half an hour." I am directed to inform you that this clause is disobeyed when the teacher permits a pupil to remain on the school premises for a longer period than half an hour after the hour fixed for closing the school, except in districts where there is a gymnasium, and then children must not be permitted to attend the same unless a teacher remains in charge of them during the exercises.

It is also a violation of the Rules and Regulations for the pupils of a school or of any division of a school to be called together for class work or study of any kind prior to the time fixed for the opening of the school.

Complaints have also been made as to the extent of home lessons prescribed by some teachers. Article 1, clause 3, of the Rules and Regulations, in which the duties of the teacher in this respect are clearly set forth, must be strictly followed. The minds of pupils are on no account to be forced by overwork.

Your careful attention is also called to Article VI, clause 5, of the Rules and Regulations; and in addition to your maintaining a regular supervision in the play ground, it is required that boys and girls be not permitted to occupy the same portion of the school yard at any time.

It has been pointed out to this department that in several of the schools the subject of bookkeeping has not received that attention which its importance demands. When requested by a pupil or by a parent of a pupil, the teacher must give instruction in this branch.

The circular is signed by S. D. Pope, superintendent of education.

WATCH THE DIMPLES

Come on cheek and chin Christmas morning when you present to her one of those handsome lamps. They're so pretty and appropriate as gifts she can't help it. Your wife, your sweetheart, your mother or your sister has an appreciative smile stored up in her heart which you may never see unless you use this means of bringing it to the surface. Piano Lamps, Banquet Lamps, Boudoir Lamps, German Students' Lamps, every conceivable sort. Pay us a visit and see them in all their glittering newness.

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WHALING.

To the Editor: Permit me to ask the Canadian and British governments how they allow American ship owners to take about $4,000,000 worth of whalebone out of British waters in three months, namely, August July and September, 1893; also does the Canadian government allow them to build stores and dwelling houses on Hershall island, in latitude 69.50 west, longitude 137 north; also making a harbor of that place. There are thirteen steamers and ships wintering there at the present time, and I am very much mistaken if the Canadian government knows anything about it. What is to stop our Scotch, English and Canadian boats going there and having a share of the big fortune the San Francisco and New Bedford ship owners are making in Canadian waters, especially when they have one of the finest harbors in the world, eight hundred miles nearer to the whaling ground than what San Francisco is, namely Victoria, it being also 800 miles nearer to the New York and London markets than San Francisco. The New Bedford ship owners send their vessels round Cape Horn to Canadian waters, and I cannot see why the British do not take an interest in such a great industry. I can give the names, number of ships and catches for 1893 if required, i.e., separately, the total number caught by these American vessels being over 300. I will give all the information any one interested may require on application to the editor.

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MUNICIPAL.

NOTICE.

King's Road, between Douglas and First Streets, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
December 14, 1894. dec14

NOTICE.

Fort Street, between Wharf and Langley Streets, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
Victoria, Dec. 12, 1894. dec13

NOTICE.

Douglas Street, from Pembroke Street to King's Road, is closed to public traffic.

E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
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NOTICE.

Courtney Street, from Wharf to Langley Street, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

By order.
E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
Victoria, October 15th, 1894.

NOTICE.

Bastion Street, from Langley to Wharf, is closed to traffic till further notice.

By order,
E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
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NOTICE.

Langley Street, from Courtney to Yates Street, is closed to public traffic till further notice.

By order,
E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.
Victoria, October 15th, 1894.

No. 240.

A BY-LAW.

Respecting the Municipal Elections for the City of Victoria for the Year 1895

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:

1. The nomination of candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Victoria shall take place at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 14th day of January, 1895, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.

2. In case more than one candidate for Mayor is nominated the vote of the electors for candidates for the said office shall be taken by ballot in the Court Room of the City Hall aforesaid, on Thursday, the 17th day of January, 1895, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

3. In case there are more candidates nominated for the office of Aldermen in any ward than there are vacancies to fill up, the vote of the electors for the candidates for said office shall be taken by ballot on the 17th day of January, 1895, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4. p.m., at the respective places following, that is to say:

For the North Ward, at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the Central Ward, at Burnes' Block, Bastion Square.

For the South Ward, at No. 27 Government street (east side).

4. The provisions of the "Election By-law," passed 3rd March, 1888, and the schedule thereto, and the "Eelection Amendment By-lay, 1892," so far as applicable and not inconsistent with this by-law and the Municipal Acts, shall be read with and form part of this by-law.

5. William King Bull is hereby appointed Returning Officer at the said elections.

6. The Municipal Election By-law, 1894," is hereby repealed.

7. This by-law may be cited as the "Municipal Election By-law, 1895."

Passed the Muncipal Council, the 11th day of December, A. D. 1894.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council of the City of Victoria the 13th day of December, A. D. 1894.

JOHN TEAGUE,
Mayor.
(L. S.)
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-aw passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria, on the 13th day of December, A.D. 1894, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that anyone desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any part thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

The Leander Tepid Swimming Baths are now open again by F. J. Mesher. Donald F. McDonald has no connection with these baths whatever. Massage and Electric baths can be given as usual.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

The partnership heretofore existing between Charles Joseph Vancouver Spratt, Andrew Gray and Alexander Kenneth Munro, has been dissolved by effluxion of time, Mr. Munro retiring as from the 11th day of November, 1894.

The business of the late firm has been purchased by C. J. V. Spratt and Andrew Gray who assume all liabilities of the late firm, and to whom all the debts of the same must be paid. Mr. Andrew Gray assumes sole management.

C. J. V. SPRATT,
ANDREW GRAY,
d14-2w A. K. MUNRO.

BRITISH COLUMBIA MILLING AND MINING COMPANY, (LIMITED).
Assessment No. 25.

Notice is hereby given that an assessment of one cent per share has been levied upon the members of the above named company, payable at the company's office, No. 48 Langley street, Victoria, B.C., on or before the 31st day of December, 1894, from and after which date all shares on which said call shall then remain unpaid shall be deemed delinquent, to be dealt with according to law. By order of the Board of Directors. Victoria, 1st December, 1894.
d4td GEO. A. SARGISON, Sec'y.

Quesnelle Quartz Mining Company, Ltd.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that at a meeting of the directors of the above company held on November 30th, 1894, an assessmentof our fourth of one cent per share was levied upon the capital stock of said company payable forthwith to W. A. Johnston, secretary, at the companies' office, Quesnelle, B. C. Any stock upon which said assessment shall remain unpaid on the 15th day of January, 1895, shall be deemed delinquent and dealt with accordingly. By order of the Board of Directors.

W. A. JOHNSTON, Sec.
Quesnelle, B. C., Nov. 30th, 1894.
d7-6w-d&w

Land Registry Act.

Part (25x70 feet) of lot 162 Victoria City.—A certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above Hereditaments will be issued to Anna Pitlock on the 10th day of January, 1895 unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein or in some part thereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Deputy Registrar General.
Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C. 15th October, 1894. oct15-td

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between John Coltart and Louis H. Jenns, under the firm name of Coltart & Jenns, 72 Government street, Victoria, has been dissolved from the 23rd day of November, 1894, by mutual consent, Mr. L. H. Jenns retiring from the said firm. The business of the Atlas Assurance Co., and the United Fire Insurance Co. will in future be carried on at 72 Government street by myself. All accounts due by the said firm of Coltart and Jenns will be settled on presentation to me, and all debts owing must be paid to me.

JOHN COLTART.
November 29, 1894. nov30-1m

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof for an act to incorporate a Benefit Society to be called "The Canadian Order of Foresters," with its head office at the City of Brantford, Ontario, with power to insure the members thereof and to establish subordinate Courts of Foresters throughout the Dominion of Canada.

Dated at Brantford, the 26th day of November, A.D. 1894.

HARDY, WILKES & HARDY,
d11-9w Solicitors for Applicants.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria at its next sitting, to be held in the month of March next, for a transfer to William Carr Burns of the license now held by me to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the Mirror Saloon, situate at the corner of Yates and Broad streets, in the City of Victoria.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1894.

ROBERT DUDGEON.
d18-1m.

Maternity Home

(LATE SAMARITAN.)
Removed to 199 Johnson Street, Applicants please apply at the Home, or Mrs. Higgins, Cadboro Bay Road, or Mrs. Fismerfelt, Gorge Road.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES

How the Return of Christmas Tide Will be Celebrated at City Churches.

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Christmas day will be observed this year with the usual solemnity by the Victoria city churches. The Evangelical (Roman Catholic and Episcopalian) attach more to the observance of the feast than do the other churches, but all the churches will hail the return of the natal day of the Saviour with appropriate ceremonies.

St. Andrews Roman Catholic cathedral has been decorated by the ladies of the altar society. The pillars have been entwined with evergreens and the altars have been made resplendent with an abundance of natural flowers and a profusion of wax candles. The flowers were brought from California, and are the gift of Mr. M. Rubanick, formerly of this city. The main altar is a beautiful piece of artistic decoration. Near the "lady altar" is the "crib," the background is a painting of Jerusalem. A cave with the ox and the ass, the manger, and images of the infant Saviour with Mary his mother and Joseph his foster-father, complete the crib; and this will bring back to the memory of the pious faithful the mystery of the nativity of Jesus. Christ was born lowly and humble, and the people as they kneel before the crib are reminded of the lowly and the poor by a contribution box which is placed near by. The midnight service of the Roman Catholic church is always celebrated with considerable pomp and pageantry. At the hour of midnight Bishop Lemmens will ascend the high altar, and lifting his hand in supplication to the Deity will intone the opening sentence in the ritual of the church, which will be answered by those assisting. The assistant priest will be the Rev. Father Woods, S. J.; deacons of honor, Rev. Father Michaud, C. S. V., and Father Laterme, B. S. T.; deacon of the mass, Rev. Father Yorke, chancellor of the archdiocese of San Francisco; sub-deacon, Rev. Joseph Nicolaye; master of ceremonies, Rev Father Van Nevel.

Father Woods will preach. The doors of the church will be open a quarter of an hour before the beginning of mass. The mass will probably last for two hours. From 6.30 to 9 o'clock on Christmas morning there will be masses every half hour, and at 10.30 there will be a solemn pontifical high mass and the papal blessing will be given. Father Woods will again preach at the 10.30 mass.

The choir has been practicing on the musical programme for several weeks under the direction of Director Lombard. Outside talent will also help. The following is the musical programme:

Adeste Fideles—Choir.....Novello
Kyrie—Choir .....De Monti
Gloria—Duet, "Laudamus Te," Miss Goddyn and Mrs. Wilkes; solo, Propter Magnaum Gloriam," Miss Dolan; solo, "Domine Deus," Madame Laird; solo, "Suscipe" (tenor) Mr. J. R. G. Bullen; solo, "Quoniam," (tenor) Mr. F. H. Lang; finale, "Cum Sancto Spiritu," choir.....De Monti
Credo—Solo "Visibilium," Miss Wilson; solo, Genitum," Mr. E. A. Wolff; duet, "Et Incarnatus est," Misses McNiffe and Stewart; solo, "Crucifixus," (bass) Mr. F. J. Sehl; solo, "Et in Spiritum," Miss McNiffe; solo, "Confiteor," (alto) Miss Stewart; finale, "Et Expecto," Choir.De Monti
Offertory—"Noel"—Solo, Madame Laird; chorus, Choir .....Adam
Sanctus—Choir .....De Monti
O Salutaris—Bass solo, Mr. Grizelle; chorus, Choir .....Faure
Agnus Dei—Solo, "Agnus Dei," Mrs. Schroeder; duet, Miserere," Miss McNiffe and Mr. Mitchell; finale, "Dona Nobis Pacem," Choir.....De Monti
Concluding Organ Voluntary—March.....
.....Mrs. C. A. Lombard

At Esquimalt Catholic church masses will be celebrated at 8, 8.30 and 10 by Rev. Father Van Nevel. The church has been prettily decorated.

The decorations at Christ Church cathedral will be appropriate. The chancel and windows of the cathedral are decorated with holly and evergreens, and mottoes appropriate to Christmas can be seen on all sides. On the baptismal font are the words: "One baptism for the remission of sins." The font itself is very tastefully ornamented. Christmas morning there will be services at 7, 8 and 11. At the 11 o'clock service the following musical programme will be rendered:

Procession Hymn—"Christmas Awake.....
Venite .....Dr. Crotch
Psalms .....Special for the Day
Te Deum, with tenor solo.....Katzchmar
Benedictus .....Rev. Troutbeck
Anthem, with baritone solo "There were Shepherds.....A. R. Gaul
Hymn "While Shepherds Watched" H. Kent
Kyrie .....H. Kent
Hymn—"O come all ye faithful".....

St. John's church is elaborately decorated. The chancel pillars are covered with moss and ferns, over which are five Gothic arches, a large centre one and two smaller on either side. They are decorated with holly and red and white berries. Surmounting all is a beautifully wrought anchor of evergreens and holly, and underneath is the inscription: "Unto us a child is born; unto us a son is given." Banners are to be seen on every hand. They are handsomely worked, the holly even being touched up with gold leaf. The decorations could not be surpassed. The programme of music is as follows:

Hymn—"Hark the Herald Angels sing.....
Venite .....Dr. W. Crotch
Xmas Psalms—Te Deum, Jackson;" Anthem, "Behold I bring," Caleb Simper; Hymn, "Christmas Awake.....

Christmas services will be held in the First Presbyterian church to-morrow at 11 a. m., when a Christmas offering will be taken up for the poor.

At the Church of Our Lord, Reformed Episcopal, there will be service, with holy communion, at 11. Bishop Cridge will officiate, assisted by the Rev. G. C. King.

At the Central Presbyterian church the decorations are very unique. Services will be held morning and evening. Rev. P. McF. Macleod, the pastor, will preach an appropriate sermon, taking as his subject, "Unto us a child is born." The evening theme will be "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, goodwill toward men."

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

FOOTBALL.

NANAIMO RANGERS V. BARRACK ATHLETICS.

Much speculation has been going on in Association football circles during the past week regarding the outcome of this important match, the majority favoring the Rangers on account of their being an older organization and knowing each others play; but the Athletics were not wanting in friends who were loud in their assertions that their team would come out victorious. The game was played on the Canteen grounds, Esquimalt, and the ground was not in the best of condition for developing a very scientific display of the association game. The teams lined up the field promptly at 2:15 p.m.

From the start it was evident that both teams meant business and for the first seven minutes play was hard and fast with not the faintest sign of rough play, and indeed with the exception of one or two times the game was characterised throughout by an entire absence of ungentlemanly play on either side, although one naturally expects a little bit of temper from the players on cup-tie occasions. After seven minutes' play by a judicious bit of passing in front of a goal, Yorke scored No. 1 for the Rangers. After the kick-off the Athletics seemed to have the advantage and Hall sent in one of his low, swift shots which nearly beat the Nanaimo custodian, but he held the ball fast although dropping it immediately. The Athletics thus lost a fine chance of equalising as English came up to clear the goal. Shortly after another goal was secured for Nanaimo by a fine left wing shot by Fisher. Nothing daunted by these early reverses, the Athletics warmed up to their work and succeeded in scoring the next goal taken by Cannon. Encouraged by this success they repeated the experiment and and thus equalized the scores, Kelly doing the needful this time. The game now assumed a more interesting complexion; run and counter runs with some splendid work by the backs on both sides, Stewart, the full back for the Athletics playing the best on the field and time and again stopped what looked like very dangerous runs by the Rangers. Notwithstanding the strong defence and the excellent goal-keeping of Lyons, the Athletics could not prevent the Rangers from adding two more goals to their score before halftime. From halftime the game hard and fast game was continued, but the scoring the the first portion of this half was done by the Rangers, who added three more goals, all of them got by good passing and hard shooting at goal. From this on till near the close of the game it was evident that the Rangers were to win by a large score, but five minutes from time the Athletics, who all through the match played a most determined "never-say-die" kind of game wakened up and simply played all round their opponents, scoring a goal two minutes from time, and amidst the greatest excitement scored another in a few seconds from the kick-off. Then time was called amidst great cheering for the Athletics for the excellent showing they made against the celebrated Rangers. English, Duffy, R. Thompson, Riley and Fisher did the best service for the Rangers, while Stewart, Hall, Barraclough, Lyons, Raun, Kelly and Cannon were the best of the Athletic lot. Mr. Geo. McCann, who refereed the game, gave general satisfaction to both teams, except in the case of the fourth goal for Nanaimo, when he gave a goal when only a foul was made. The game really stood at the finish six goals to two, but according to the referee's decision regarding the sixth goal of the match, which was protested at the time, the game ended in favor of the Nanaimo Rangers by seven goals to four.

The teams dined together at the Telegraph Hotel in the evening and afterwards enjoyed a smoking concert provided by Athletics and their friends.

WANDERERS AND WELLINGTON.

The Wanderers team journey to Wellington next Saturday to meet the Wellington football club in the cup-tie. The Wellington team have lately received an addition to their strength by the amalgamation of the Northfield team to theirs, and it is said they now possess the best balanced team in the province. The cup-holders have some work ahead of them next Saturday and it is to be hoped that they will be successful in retaining the cup in this city now that the Athletics are out of the competition.

ENGLAND V. SCOTLAND.

To-morrow afternoon teams representing England and Scotland will do battle at the Caledonia Park and it is expected that the natives of both countries and their descendants will turn out in force to cheer on the champions chosen for the defence of the honor of their respective countries. Englishmen say it will be another Flodden, while Scotchmen say Bannockburn between their closed teeth. A fine game is expected as the teams have been selected with great care and the best exponents of the association game will be engaged.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Y.M.C.A. foothal club will practise at Beacon Hill to-morow morning commencing at half past ten. All members are requested to attend.

THE RIFLE.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 24.—There will soon be a new rifle range for the Dominion association. The executive of the association has got the option on a tract of land on the Ottawa river below the city and are now asking the militia department to survey and purchase the same. They will likely do this. Their lease of the Rideau range will soon expire.

NANAIMO NEWS.

Municipal and Dominion Election Surmises.

Nanaimo, Dec. 24.—A meeting of the citizens' committee and candidates for municipal election, took place in the Co-operative Hall. There still remains two vacancies in the aldermanic list. The committee expect to have all the work accomplished for the opening of the campaign by next Saturday. The first public meeting will probably be held on the evening following the nomination. Wilson's chances appear to be good as indicated by the requisition signed in his behalf, which bore 314 names out of 800.

The contest will be keen as a few individuals who own stock in the Nanaimo water works intend to seek election.

At a recent meeting of the Harewood school trustees a large number of applications were read for the position of teacher. It was decided to give the appointment to Miss Sharples.

It is claimed by several that Mr. J. Hunter intends to run for Vancouver constituency in the Dominion election. The Reform Club intends to take the matter up early in January, when a convention of delegates from all parts of the electoral district will be called, and the strongest man on the Liberal side nominated.

In consequence of the recent loss of several vessels trading between Nanaimo and coast ports, it is feared that the mines will be idle for want of shipping unless a few more are chartered very soon.

The Y. M. C. A. will move into their new quarters on January 2nd, 1895. Many are of the opinion that the city council should donate the hall free of rent to so good a cause.

BIRTH.

GODDYN—In this city on the 23rd inst., the wife of Adolph Godlyn of a son.

WEBSTER—In this city on the 23rd inst., the wife of David Webster of a daughter.

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PASSENGERS.

Per City of Kingston from the Sound—Dec. 23—D J McKinnon, Mrs Smith, Mrs E J Perry, Wm Lowry, W J Mallette and wife, H Cook and wife, W H Merrill, E W Devoe, Miss Stranson, Hugo Barton, Miss Easton, Mrs Ford, R Monwettice, G Henderson, A J Dugoy, Bryant Whistler, Mrs W H Merrill, Capt Curry, J McGinnis, M Moses, C Hooker, Mrs Sutton, Mrs Knapp, G Wilson, A Simcoe, J Aikman, J E Armstrong and wife, Miss Bell, R F Tolmie, W Soul, T Zeigler, C Miller, P F O'Brien.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—Dec. 23—A Lyall, G D Robertson, Jas Brown, Mrs Brown, Mrs Welch, J G Lawson, L Theite, H B Walkem, C Stinson, R Hamilton, F Williams, A Grote, Jas Stewart, H Beckley, T F Monteith, M Costello, R McMorran, Peter Burrell, Miss Slater, S Tollmache, T G Stark, Miss Nelson, H Helgerson, W H Kerr, Mrs Stinson.

Per Str. Geo. E. Starr from the Sound—Dec. 23—D R Ker, Mrs Fitzmorris, J M Boyle and wife, P F Richardson, H Crocker, R Croft, M J Fitzmorris, F J Bailey.

CONSIGNEES.

Per Steamer Charmer from Vancouver—Dec. 23—Order F. H Buckel, R. E. V. H. Helgeson, Hang Chong, M. King, See Wo Cheong, M Casey, Wing, Y C L, B W H, Tai Soong, W Blackie, Sing Lee, W Jackson, Kwong On Leong, Dom Exp Co, Hip Wo, Yee Cheong, Yum Loong, Chew Cheong, Chin Cheong., Fook Shan Tai, Chan Yuck Tong, Order F C D, Yuen Loong, S O Co, S L, W, J A C, Hudson Bay Co.

Per Steamer Geo. E. Starr from the Sound—Dec. 23—R F Downing & Co, A Beeton & Co, J B & Co, J N H & Co, A H, H & Co, J B, Royal Arthur, F Bertich, W B Hopkins, M W Waitt.

Per Steamer Umatilla from San Francisco—A & W Wilson, Albion Iron Works, B Levy, Brackman & K M Co, C V R Thomson, D H Ross & Co, Duck Chong, H A Lilly, Hudson B Co, John Barnsley & Co, J & A Clearihue, Lenz & Leiser, Langley & Co, Miss V Powell, Mrs J P Hibben, P McQuade & Son, R Baker & Son, S Leiser, S H E F Co, Wilson Bros, Ying Yuen, Nanaimo—A Hustain, G B; New Westminster—W N L, W Coll; Wellington—J J; Vancouver—C E.

Per City of Kingston from the Sound—Dec. 23—W & J Wilson, W Wilson, P McQuade & Son, Perry & Turner, S H E F Co, S Leiser, Lowenberg & Co, Thos Bradbury, H B Co, S L & Co, J E A, Express—S Y Wootton, Pither & Leiser, T H Lang, C A Rattray, W S Terry, Mrs E E Blackwood, Miss S Jackson, Ellis & Co, T Roarke, G Bothwick, P Everett, P G Bullen, V C Moody.

To-Day is Dec. 24!
To-Morrow will be
Christmas!

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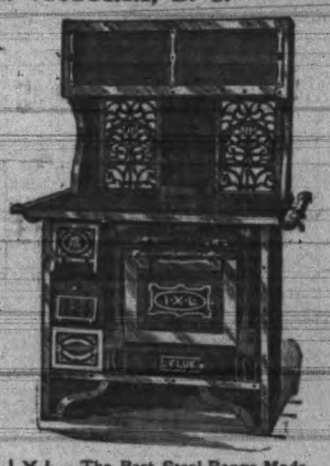

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Dominion Line, Oregon	Feb. 2

From New York.

Cunard Line, Lucania	Dec. 29
Cunard Line, Etruria	Jan. 5
American Line, Berlin	Dec 26
American Line, New York	Jan. 2
White Star Line, Majestic	Jan. 2
White Star Line, Adriatic	Jan. 9
North Ger. Lloyd, Ems	Jan. 1
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Anchor Line, Furnessia	Jan. 5
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REMOVAL NOTICE.

DR. WADE

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